Twenty-third Annual Report.

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF HOPEDALE

FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1908.

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LIST OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Selectmen, Overseers of Poor, Board of Health, and Fence Viewers.

E. A. Darling, L. B. Gaskill,
S. E. Kellogg.

Town Clerk.

William H. Jordan.

Treasurer.

E. D. Bancroft.

Tax Collector.

E. S. Stimpson.

Auditor.

A. A. Messinger.

Assessors.

W. S. Hague, Clerk, Term expires 1909.
Wm. Bancroft, Term expires 1910.
H. W. Bracken, Term expires 1911.

School Committee.

H. W. Bracken, Term expires 1909.
Frank J. Dutcher, Term expires 1910.
Harriet B. Sornborger, Term expires 1911.

Trustees of Public Library.

E. L. Osgood, Term expires 1909.
F. H. French, Term expires 1910.
Anna M. Bancroft, Term expires 1911.

Road Commissioners.

Clare H. Draper, Term expires 1909.
Charles E. Pierce, Term expires 1910.
G. A. Draper, Term expires 1911.

Park Commissioners.

Frank J. Dutcher, Term expires 1909.
Charles F. Roper, Term expires 1910.
George Otis Draper, Term expires 1911.

Constables.

Robert Ross, Walter F. Durgin, H. B. Leonard,
J. M. French, E. C. Barrows.

Field Drivers.

Sylvester L. Madden, J. M. French,
Frank Gaskill.

Tree Warden.

Joseph B. Bancroft.

Surveyor of Lumber.

B. L. Hodgdon.

OFFICERS APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN.

Engineers of Fire Department.

Samuel E. Kellogg, Chief.
C. E. Pierce, 1st Assistant.
J. B. Chapin, Clerk and Treasurer.

Police Officers.

S. E. Kellogg, A. F. Fairbanks, W. E. Day,
Charles W. Wheeler, Warren F. Gaskill, C. C. Downing,
Alex Hollis, Thomas Mathews, R. H. Girvin,
Geo. W. Jenkins, E. A. Sherman, Sam'l Olivant,
Sylvester L. Madden, W. N. Prentiss, W. L. Bennett,
F. A. Spaulding, Geo. E. Kent, John Galloway.
Hugh Mears, W. C. McDonald,

Forest Fire Wards.

Sylvester L. Madden, A. A. Westcott, E. A. Harding,
George R. King, Edmund Barrows, J. B. Chapin,
Fred B. Sweet, Chas. E. Pierce, W. F. Durgin,
S. E. Kellogg, Hale Watson, Sam'l Olivant,
Frank Gaskill, Tralaverio Wilson.

Fire Warden.

W. F. Durgin.

Measurers of Wood and Bark.

Sylvester L. Madden, Walter F. Durgin, A. A. Westcott,
W. H. Barney, Wilfred Gaskill, F. A. Card,
J. Stuart Cox.

Public Weighers.

A. A. Westcott, James Beach, Daniel E. Murphy.
Wilfred Gaskill.

Fire Police

Robert Ross.

Weighers of Coal.

W. H. Barney, F. A. Card.

Inspector of Cattle.

Frank Gaskill.

Inspector of Meats and Provisions.

Waldo Phipps.

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Charles W. Wheeler.

Town Counsel.

Wendell Williams.

Burial Agent of Deceased Soldiers and Sailors.

THOMAS H. BRADLEY.

Agent Board of Health to Sign Burial Permits.

WILLIAM H. JORDAN.

Registrars of Voters.

S. A. STAPLES, Term expires 1909.
W. H. GRAYSON, Term expires 1910.
H. F. SEARLES, Term expires 1911.
W. H. JORDAN, Clerk.

Dog Officer.

WALTER F. DURGIN.

APPOINTED BY SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Superintendent of Schools.

F. G. ATWELL.

Truant Officers.

WARREN F. GASKILL, C. C. DOWNING,
H. B. LEONARD, F. G. ATWELL.

APPOINTED BY PARK COMMISSIONERS.

Superintendent of Parks.

WALTER F. DURGIN.

APPOINTED BY PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

Librarian.

HARRIET B. SORNBORGER.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

Town Records.

TOWN WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss:

To either constable of the Town of Hopedale, in said County,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, on Monday, the second day of March next, punctually at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, (the polls may be closed at one o'clock in the afternoon on said day of meeting), to act upon the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing. The following officers to be voted for: Town clerk, treasurer, collector, auditor, selectmen, one road commissioner for three years, overseers of poor, board of health, fence viewers, one assessor to serve three years, one member of the school committee to serve for three years, five constables, one trusee of public library to serve three years, one park commissioner to serve three years, one tree warden to serve for one year; and a surveyor of lumber for one year; also to bring in their ballots, "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question: "Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale of intoxicating liquors?"

Article 3. To hear and act upon the report of the selectmen, overseers of the poor, school committee, engineers of the fire department, and any other officers and committees of said town.

Article 4. To raise such sum or sums of money as may be deemed necessary to defray town charges for the year ensuing, and appropriate the same.

Article 5. To see if the town will instruct the treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, the same to be paid from the taxes of 1908.

Article 6. To see if the town will appropriate fifty dollars toward defraying the expense of Memorial day.

Article 7. To see if any discount will be allowed on taxes paid on or before the first of September, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 8. To see what disposition the town will make of money refunded from the county on account of dog tax.

Article 9. To see what compensation the town will allow the collector of taxes for his services.

Article 10. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to take charge of all legal proceedings for or against the town.

Article 11. To see if the town will vote to locate one additional hydrant and appropriate money therefor.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to install a steam gong for fire signals in connection with the Draper Company steam plant, raise and appropriate money for same, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to enlarge and remodel the hose house, raise and appropriate money for this purpose, appoint a committee to attend to this matter, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to enlarge its high school building by constructing an addition thereto, appoint a committee to have charge of said construction, and raise and appropriate money for the same, or take any other action in relation to the foregoing.

Article 15. To vote yes or no by ballot upon the following question:—"Shall sections fifty-eight to sixty-four, inclusive, of

chapter forty-eight of the Revised Laws, relative to jurisdiction of towns over highways and county bridges, be accepted?"

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to construct Northrop street and authorize the road commissioners to make a contract in the name of the town for such construction, and raise and appropriate money for the same, or take any action in relation to the construction of said Northrop street.

Article 17. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the repair of Main street or any portion thereof, or for any alteration or re-location of the same that may be hereafter voted by the town, or take any other action in relation to the foregoing.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to construct sewers and main drains in Main street and streets leading therefrom, and raise and appropriate money therefor, authorize the road commissioners to contract such construction in the name and behalf of the town or take any other action in relation to the construction of sewers and main drains.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in at least four public places in said town, seven days at least before the time set for said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the clerk of said town, at the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Hopedale, this 20th day of February, A. D. 1908.

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
S. E. KELLOGG,
Selectmen of Hopedale.

Attest:

WALTER F. DURGIN,
Constable of Hopedale.

A true copy. Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

Hopedale, Mass., March 2, 1908.

I have complied with the requirements of this warrant by posting attested copies in the places herein named.

WALTER F. DURGIN,
Constable.

TOWN MEETING, MARCH 2, 1908.

Pursuant to warrant lawfully posted, the inhabitants of Hopedale duly qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, met at Town Hall and punctually at nine o'clock were called to order by the clerk of said town, who read the warrant, and under

Article 1. Mr. F. J. Dutcher was chosen moderator with the use of the check list.

Voted: That Article 15 be brought up next in order that the balloting be simultaneous with Article 2.

Article 2. The polls being declared open, balloting for town officers, for "Yes" and "No" in answer to the question "Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale of intoxicating liquors?" and the question "Shall sections fifty-eight to sixty-four inclusive, of chapter forty-eight of the Revised Laws relative to jurisdiction of towns over highways and county bridges," be accepted? then proceeded.

Article 3. Voted: That the report of the selectmen, overseers of poor, school committee, engineers of the fire department, and all other officers of the town be accepted as printed.

Article 4. Voted: That the chair appoint a finance commitee of nine, who shall retire, and recommend a list of appropriations for the year ensuing.

The chair appointed the following persons to serve on this committee: Clare H. Draper, sec., Eben D. Bancroft, Frank H. French, E. A. Darling, chairman, Frank J. Dutcher, Eben S. Draper, Lewis B. Gaskill, Frank J. Dutcher, Charles E. Pierce.

Voted: To accept the report of the above Committee as read by the Secretary Clare H. Draper and act upon the same item by item.

Voted: Unanimously, to raise and appropriate for heating, care, teaching, fuel, supplies, textbooks, improvements, repairs and supervision of schools..... $14,600 00

For support of library (exclusive of dog tax).....	2,800 00
For highway department, general account.....	5,500 00
For highway department, watering streets.....	1,450 00
For highway department, sidewalks.....	500 00
For fire department, general account.....	1,875 00
For fire department, new hose.....	200 00
For fire department, forest fires.....	100 00
For fire department, overcoats.....	110 00
For incidental department.....	3,000 00
For water for fire purposes.....	2,250 00
For street lighting account.....	3,600 00
For interest account.....	300 00
For Town Hall account.....	500 00
For state and county tax.....	13,000 00
For use of tree warden.....	500 00
For poor department.....	800 00
For board of health.....	300 00
For park commission.....	2,500 00

Article 5. Voted: That for the purpose of procuring a temporary loan to and for the use of the town of Hopedale, in anticipation of the taxes for the present municipal year, the town treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to borrow from time to time, with the approval of the majority of the board of selectmen, a sum or sums not exceeding in the aggregate $30,000 (thirty thousand dollars), and to execute and deliver the note or notes of the town therefor, payable within one year from the time the loan is made. Any debt or debts incurred by a loan or loans to the town under this vote shall be paid from the said taxes of the present municipal year.

Article 6. On motion of Mr. Eben S. Draper it was

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $50.00 to defray

the expenses of Memorial day, said amount to be paid to Post 22, G. A. R.

Article 7. On motion of Mr. E. A. Darling it was

Voted: To allow a discount of two per cent. on all taxes paid on or before September 1st.

Article 8. On motion of Mr. E. D. Bancroft it was

Voted: To turn over to the library the money refunded to the town from the county on account of dog tax.

Article 9. On motion of Mr. Eben S. Draper it was

Voted: That the collector of taxes be allowed one-half of one per cent. for his services.

Article 10. On motion of Mr. E. A. Darling it was

Voted: To authorize the selectmen to take charge of all legal proceedings for or against the town.

Article 11. On motion of Mr. E. A. Darling it was

Voted: To locate one additional hydrant (the appropriation necessary for this being cared for under the general appropriations of water for fire purposes).

Article 12. On motion of Mr. S. E. Kellogg it was

Voted: That the town install a steam gong for fire signals in connection with the Draper Company steam plant, and that the sum of $500.00 be raised and appropriated therefor.

Article 13. On motion of Mr. S. E. Kellogg, and amended by Messrs. E. D. Bancroft and Eben S. Draper, it was

Voted: That a committee be appointed to look up the matter of enlarging and remodeling the hose house and report on the same at a meeting to be held in the near future. A committee comprising the fire engineers, Mr. Eben D. Bancroft and Mr. Eben S. Draper were appointed to take this matter in charge.

Article 14. After remarks at length by Mr. F. W. Pratt in-favor of a new high school building, and by Mr. Eben S. Draper and Mr. F. J. Dutcher, in favor of enlarging the present high school building, it was on motion of Mr. F. J. Dutcher

Voted: That the town enlarge its high school building by con-

structing an addition thereto (that the school committee and selectmen be a committee of the town to carry out the aforesaid vote), and that the sum of $22,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the same.

Article 15. The result of the balloting showed that sections fifty-eight to sixty-four, inclusive, of chapter forty-eight of the Revised Laws, relative to jurisdiction of towns over highways and county bridges stood as follows, Acceptance 88, Reject 5.

Article 16. On motion of Mr. Clare H. Draper, it was

Voted: That the town do construct Northrop street in accordance with the laying out heretofore accepted and allowed by the town, and that the sum of $10,000.00 be raised and appropriated therefor, and that the road commissioners be authorized and empowered to make a contract in the name and behalf of the town for such construction.

Article 17. On motion of Mr. Clare H. Draper it was

Voted: That $10,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the road commissioners in the repair of Main street or such portion thereof as they may deem wise, or for altering or relocating the same if any alteration or relocation thereof be hereafter accepted by the town, and that the commissioners be authorized to make such repairs, alteration or relocation under a contract to be entered into by them in the name and behalf of the town.

Article 18. On motion of Mr. Clare H. Draper it was

Voted: That the sum of $4,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of construcing sewers and main drains in Main street and streets connecting therewith, the same to be laid and constructed under the direction of the road commissioners and on such streets and in such places as in their judgment the interests of the town require, and that the road commissioners be authorized and empowered to contract any or all of the work of constructing such sewers and main drains in the name and behalf of the town, if they deem it to be for the interests of the town.

Voted: To close the polls at one o'clock p. m.

Punctually at one o'clock the polls were declared closed, the ballots cast were counted, and the result declared as follows:

License, "Yes" 2. "No" 119.

There were 147 ballots cast for each of the following town officers:

Town clerk, Wm. H. Jordan.

Treasurer, E. D. Bancroft.

Collector, E. S. Stimpson.

Auditor, A. A. Messinger.

Selectmen, overseers of poor, board of health and fence viewers, E. A. Darling, L. B. Gaskill, S. E. Kellogg.

Assessor for three years, H. W. Bracken.

Road commissioner for three years, George A. Draper.

School committee for three years, Harriet B. Sornborger.

Trustee of town library for three years, Anna M. Bancroft.

Constables, Robert Ross, Walter F. Durgin, J. M. French, H. B. Leonard, E. C. Barrows.

Field drivers, S. L. Madden, J. M. French, Frank Gaskill.

Tree warden, Joseph B. Bancroft.

Park commissioner for three years, George Otis Draper.

Surveyor of lumber, Benj. L. Hodgdon.

Of the above-named town officers the following were present and were sworn by the moderator to the faithful performance of their duties:—

Wm. H. Jordan, E. S. Stimpson, A. A. Messinger, E. A. Darling, L. B. Gaskill, S. E. Kellogg, Walter F. Durgin, J. M. French, H. B. Leonard.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

Town of Hopedale, March 6, 1908.

Honorable Board of County Commissioners,
Worcester, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:—I hereby certify that the following is a true copy of an article duly appearing in the warrant for a town meeting in the Town of Hopedale, held on March 2nd, 1908.

Article 15. To vote yes or no by ballot upon the following question: Shall sections fifty-eight to sixty-four, inclusive, of chapter forty-eight of the Revised Laws relative to jurisdiction of towns over highways and county bridges be accepted?"

And I further certify that the following is a copy of the vote of acceptance passed at said meeting, under aforesaid article, upon ballots furnished by the town in form as follows:

"Shall sections fifty-eight to sixty-four, inclusive, of chapter forty-eight of the Revised Laws, relative to jurisdiction of towns over highways and county bridges, be accepted?"

Total number of ballots cast, ninety-three. Number of ballots marked yes, eighty-eight. Number of ballots marked no, five.

All as appears on the records of said town.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

A true copy of the notification sent to county commissioners.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

April 22, 1908.

This is to certify that a plan "A Relocation of a part of Main street" was this day filed in the town clerk's office (see page 15, Book 2, Town Records).

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

April 25, 1908.

A sixth class liquor license was this day granted to Josiah J.

Gibbs, Druggist, Harrison Block, Hopedale (to expire May 1, 1909), by the selectmen of said town.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, APRIL 30, 1908.

TOWN WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss:

To either constable of the town of Hopedale, in said County, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, on Thursday, the thirtieth day of April current, punctually at 7.30 o'clock in the evening, to act upon the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to accept and allow the alteration and re-location of that portion of Main street extending westerly from the Milford town line to a point nearly opposite the division line of lands of William Hadley and L. N. Tarbox, as reported by the board of road commissioners or take any other action in relation to such alteration and re-location.

Artitcle 3. To see if the town will vote that the engineers of the fire department shall perform the duties and exercise the powers of forest wardens, with respect to forest fires, as permitted in Section 2 of Chapter 475, Acts of 1907.

Article 4. To hear the report of the committee of the town appointed to consider the question of enlarging or altering the engine house, to take any action in relation to such report or in

relation to enlarging or altering said engine house, and to raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 5. To see if the town will authorize and empower its committee having in charge the enlargement of the high school building to acquire land or a right therein for the purpose of making a suitable disposal of the sewage from said building, to raise and appropriate money therefor, or take any action in relation to the disposal of sewage from said building.

Article 6. To see if the town will authorize the board of road commissioners to make a contract with the town of Milford for the connecting of any of its sewers with the sewerage system of said town of Milford, as permitted by Chapter 281 of the Acts of 1908, or take any action in relation thereto.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in at least four public places in said town, seven days at least before the time set for said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the clerk of said town, at the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Hopedale, this 21st day of April A. D. 1908.

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
S. E. KELLOGG,
Selectmen of Hopedale.

Attest:

WALTER F. DURGIN,
Constable of Hopedale.

I have complied with the requirements of this warrant by posting attested copies in the several places herein named.

WALTER F. DURGIN,
Constable.

TOWN MEETING, APRIL 30, 1908.

Pursuant to warrant lawfully posted, the inhabitants of Hopedale duly qualified by law to vote in town affairs, met at Town Hall, and punctually at 7.30 o'clock p. m. were called to order by the clerk of said town, who read the warrant, and under Article 1 Mr. F. J. Dutcher was chosen moderator with the use of the check list.

Article 2. On motion of Mr. C. E. Pierce it was

Voted: That the town accept and allow the alteration and re-location of that portion of Main street extending westerly from the Milford town line to a point nearly opposite the division line of lands of William Hadley and L. N. Tarbox, as reported by the board of road commissioners. (See page 15, Book 2, Town Records.)

On motion of Mr. E. A. Darling it was

Voted: That the engineers of the fire department shall perform the duties and exercise the powers of forest wardens with respect to forest fires, as permitted in Section 2 of Chapter 475, Acts of 1907.

Article 4. On motion of Mr. E. D. Bancroft it was

Voted: Unanimously that the report of the committee be accepted and that the same committee be and hereby is constituted as committee of the town with full authority to enlarge and alter the engine house substantially in accordance with said report, to acquire such land or interest in such land as may be necessary or convenient therefor and that the sum of $6,300.00 be hereby raised and appropriated for the aforesaid purpose.

Article 5. On motion of Mr. E. D. Bancroft it was

Voted: That the committee having in charge the enlargement and alterations of the high school building be and hereby are authorized and empowered in behalf of the town to acquire such land or interest in land and upon such terms and conditions as it may deem necessary and for the advantage of the town, and to do all things that it may consider necessary for the suitable disposal of the sewage from the said school building, and to pay

therefor from the money appropriated for said enlargement and alterations of the high school building.

Article 6. On motion of Mr. J. M. MacLauchlan, it was

Voted: That the board of road commissioners be and hereby are authorized to make a contract with the town of Milford under the provisions of chapter 281 of the Acts of 1908 for the connection of such main drains and common sewers with the sewerage system of said town of Milford and upon such terms and conditions as it shall deem for the interests of the town, and that the sum to be paid to the town of Milford under the terms of the contract at the time the connection is made, and all other payments and charges connected with such contract and the making thereof, except the yearly rental that may be provided for thereunder, be paid from the money heretofore raised and appropriated for the construction of sewer and main drains in Main street and streets connected therewith.

Voted to dissolve the warrant.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

Hopedale, Mass., May 12, 1908.

REPORT FURNISHED COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

From Warrant for Town Meeting, April 30, 1908.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to accept and allow the alteration and re-location of that portion of Main street extending westerly from the Milford town line to a point nearly opposite the division line of lands of William Hadley and L. N. Tarbox, as reported by the board of road commissioners, or take any other action in relation to such alteration and re-location.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Town of Hopedale.

Board of Road Commissioners:

Upon the petition of certain inhabitants of said town, asking

that that portion of Main street, a highway in said town, extending westerly from the Milford town line to a point nearly opposite the division line of lands of William Hadley and of L. N. Tarbox, be altered and re-located, we, the board of road commissioners of said town, gave notice as required by law to all owners of land over which said way is altered and re-located, and to all abutters on said portion of such way, of our intention to alter and re-locate the same, and in accordance with such notice, on the 21st day of April, 1908, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, we met upon the location of said way to be altered and re-located and heard all parties interested; and we have determined and adjudicated that public convenience and necessity require the alteration and re-location of said highway, and we have altered and re-located and do hereby alter and re-locate said highway, so that its boundaries and measurements as altered and re-located are as follows, namely: the northwesterly line thereof commences at the boundary stone of the towns of Hopedale and Milford, situated at the junction of the southerly line of Adin street with the northwesterly line of said Main street; thence runs S. 40 degrees 21 minutes, W. 248.5 feet on park land of the town of Hopedale to a stone set for a street bound; thence S. 46 degrees 16 minutes, W. 382 feet on said park land and land of Eben S. Draper, to where it meets the present northwesterly line of said Main street. The southeasterly line of said highway as altered and re-located is parallel to and 50 feet distant from said northwesterly line, and is marked at its easterly end by a stone street bound set in the town line of Hopedale and Milford, and its westerly end by a stone pier at the line between the lands of William Hadley and L. N. Tarbox.

Said highway as altered and re-located extends over park land of the town of Hopedale and land of Eben S. Draper, and the abutters on the southeasterly side are Fred L. Metcalf, William W. Knights, Mary A. Moore, Charles H. Andrew, William Hadley and Lavender N. Tarbox.

Said alteration and re-location is in accordance with a plan thereof, filed herewith in the office of the town clerk, made by Henry W. Gaskill, C. E., dated April 1, 1908, and marked "Plan Showing Re-location of Main Street, Hopedale, Mass."

We have determined no damage to be sustained by any person in said alteration or re-location, and therefore assess no damages for any owner or abutter.

The place and manner of aforesaid alteration and re-location over the park land of the town of Hopedale is approved by the board of park commissioners of said town, as witnessed by its endorsement hereon.

SIGNED: C. E. PIERCE,
SIGNED: GEO. A. DRAPER,
SIGNED: C. H. DRAPER,
Road Commissioners of the Town of Hopedale.

Hopedale, Mass., April 21, 1908.

We hereby approve the place and manner of the aforesaid alteration and re-location as made by the board of road commissioners.

SIGNED: FRANK J. DUTCHER,
SIGNED: C. F. ROPER,
SIGNED, GEORGE OTIS DRAPER,
Park Commissioners of the Town of Hopedale.

Voted: That the town do accept and allow the alteration and re-location of that portion of Main street extending westerly from the Milford town line to a point nearly opposite the division line of lands of William Hadley and L. N. Tarbox, as reported by the board of road commissioners.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

SPECIAL MEETING, JULY 9, 1908.

TOWN WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

To either constable of the Town of Hopedale in said county,
Greeting.

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, on Thursday, the ninth of July next, punctually at 7.30 o'clock in the evening, to act upon the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to borrow the sum of fifteen thousand ($15,000.00) dollars, to meet in part the appropriations already made during the current year for general and special town purposes, and to authorize the treasurer to issue the negotiable notes of the town therefor.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in at least four public places in said town, seven days at least before the time set for said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the clerk of said town, at the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Hopedale, this 30th day of June, A. D. 1908.

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
S. E. KELLOGG,
Selectmen of Hopedale.

Attest:

WALTER F. DURGIN,
Constable of Hopedale.

Hopedale, July 9, 1908.

I have complied with the requirements of this warrant by posting attested copies in the several places herein named.

WALTER F. DURGIN,
Constable.

A true copy. Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

TOWN MEETING, JULY 9, 1908.

Pursuant to warrant lawfully posted, the inhabitants of Hopedale duly qualified by law to vote in town affairs, met at Town Hall, and at 7.30 o'clock p. m. were called to order by the clerk of said town, who read the warrant and under Article 1 E. A. Darling was chosen moderator with the use of the check list.

Article 2.

Voted: Unanimously, that the town do borrow the sum of fifteen thousand ($15,000.00) dollars to meet in part the appropriation already made during the current year for general and special town purposes, and the treasurer is hereby authorized to borrow said sum in the name and behalf of the town and to issue therefor the negotiable note or notes of the town to be signed by the treasurer and countersigned by a majority of the selectmen, and to bear such rate of interest not exceeding six per cent. payable semi-annually, and to be payable at such time or times, not later than December 31, 1909, as the treasurer shall deem wise.

(Total number of voters present and voting, seven (7). All of said seven voting in favor of the article.) Voted that the meeting adjourn.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

July 17, 1908.

William S. Hague was this day appointed as assistant town clerk, to act in the absence of the town clerk.

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

Aug. 7, 1908.

The board of selectmen of the Town of Hopedale hereby grants a permit to The Adams Express Co., residing at Depot street, to transport spirituous or intoxicating liquors into or in the town of Hopedale, subject to all the laws now or hereafter in force relative to the Transportation of Liquors, until the first day of May, 1909.

This permit is granted and accepted upon the express condition that the person or persons above-named shall conform to all the requirements of the law; and that in case of any breach of said requirements this permit shall become null and void.

In testimony whereof, the undersigned have hereunto affixed their official signatures this seventh day of August, 1908.

E. A. DARLING,
Chairman of Selectmen.

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

A true copy of permit. Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

Oct. 8, 1908.

The board of selectmen, town clerk, and constable, Robert Ross, met at the selectmen's room, Town Hall, Oct. 8, 1908, at 7.00 p. m., and selectman S. E. Kellogg drew from the juror box the name of Edwin C. Hall to serve as traverse juror at our

Superior Court to be holden at Worcester, within and for our county of Worcester, on the 3d Monday of October, 1908, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

Oct. 16, 1908.

I hereby certify that the ballots cast at the last state election were this day destroyed by fire, in accordance with Section 238, Chapter 548, Acts of 1898.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

A true copy. Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

Hopedale, October 24, 1908.

TOWN OF MILFORD AND TOWN OF HOPEDALE

Contract for Sewer Connections.

Chapter 281, Acts of 1908.

This agreement, made under the provisions of Chapter 281 of the Acts of 1908 by and between the Town of Hopedale and the Town of Milford, both municipal corporations within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, witnesseth:

Said town of Milford agrees to extend its Main street sewer to the Hopedale town line so that connections may be made at that point with the sewers within the town of Hopedale, as herein provided, on or before November 1st, 1908, and after said connection is made, to receive and dispose of the sewage entering said Main street sewer from that portion of the town of Hopedale

comprised within the plan filed in accordance with the provisions of said Chapter 281, without charge or expense to the town of Hopedale other than is provided by this agreement, and said Chapter 281.

Said town of Hopedale agrees that all its main drains and common sewers that shall connect with the said Milford sewers shall be built under the direction or subject to the approval of the engineer in charge of the construction of the sewerage system within said town of Milford, and no connections shall be made with said Milford sewer until said construction in the town of Hopedale has been approved as aforesaid by said engineer, and that the same shall be used for the disposal of sewage only, and not for surface water or other drainage.

Said town of Hopedale further agrees that no sewers shall be connected with said common drains and sewers that connect with said Milford sewer, receiving sewage from any point not within the territory shown on aforesaid plan.

It is also agreed as follows:—

The rules and regulations of the Milford sewer department for the time being relating to the construction of particular sewers and their entrances into the common sewers, and for permits to enter the same, and relating to the use of such particular sewers, shall be applicable to the sewers in the town of Hopedale that are connected with the sewerage system of the town of Milford under the agreement, and all applications made for the construction of particular sewers and their connection with said common sewers within the town of Hopedale shall be made to the sewer commisisoners of the town of Milford, the same as are made for connection within said town of Milford; but all such applications within the town of Hopedale shall be countersigned by the board of road commissioners of said town of Hopedale, or such other officers of said town as have charge of the sewers therein.

The care, maintenance and flushing of the common sewers within the town of Hopedale shall be done by the town of Hopedale through its proper officers and agents, but such flushing, care and other things as are required on said common sewers in

order to maintain their proper working in connection with the sewerage system of the town of Milford, shall be done by said town of Hopedale at such times, in such manner, and to such extent, as shall be directed by the sewer commissioners or superintendent of sewers for said town of Milford.

The town of Hopedale agrees to pay to the town of Milford as soon as connection is made with the main sewer of the town of Milford, and in any event within three months from the time said Main street sewer in the town of Milford is extended to the Hopedale town line so that connection may be made, the sum of two thousand ($2,000) dollars, such sum being the payment provided for in said chapter, and said town further agrees to pay as the yearly rental provided in said chapter, the sum of five ($5) dollars per year for each single family house that shall be connected with said common sewer within the town of Hopedale, and ten ($10) dollars per year for each two family or two tenement house, and for any hotel or other building not within the aforesaid descriptions, such yearly rental as shall be agreed upon by the board of sewer commissioners of the town of Milford and the road commissioners or other board of officers of the town of Hopedale having charge of sewers; and in case said boards shall fail to agree, then such yearly rental as shall be determined and certified in writing by three arbitrators, one to be appointed by the sewer commissioners of the town of Milford, one by the road commissioners or other board of officers of the town of Hopedale, the third to be selected by these two.

Said yearly rental shall be paid by the town of Hopedale to the town of Milford each year, commencing in the year 1909, on or before the first day of September, for all connections that have been made on or before the first day of August preceding, without any apportionment of such yearly rental; and between said first day of August and the tenth day thereof the road commissioners, or board of officers of the town of Hopedale having in charge the sewers therein, shall make a return, signed by said board, to the sewer commissioners of the town of Milford of all the particular connections with said common sewers that existed on said first day of August within the town of Hopedale, giving

the name of the owner of the property connected and the description of such property.

After the filing of said return, and before the twentieth day of August, a bill shall be rendered to the town of Hopedale for the yearly rental, which bill shall be certified by the sewer commissioners of the town of Milford.

If for the purpose of disposing of sewage from some portion of the territory comprised in the before-referred to plan, it shall be deemed advisable by the town of Hopedale to make another main connection or other main connections with the sewerage system of the town of Milford at some other point or points in addition to said Main street connection above provided for, such connection or connections shall be made upon the same terms and conditions, except the initial payment for each additional main connection shall be such sum as may be then agreed upon, not exceeding two thousand ($2,000) dollars, and such additional main connections shall be subject to the same rules and restrictions and the same yearly rental, to be measured according to the particular sewers connecting with said additional main sewer, as are herein provided for said Main street connection; but said town of Milford shall not be compelled to make any extension of its sewer mains to any point for the purpose of permitting or providing for other connections with the sewers of said town of Hopedale.

In witness whereof the town of Milford, by its board of sewer commissioners, and the town of Hopedale, by its board of road commissioners, it being the board of officers having in charge the sewers of said town, have caused these presents to be signed and their respective corporate seals to be hereto affixed on this seventeenth day of September, A. D. 1908.

Town of Milford, by

FRANK P. DILLON,
LOUIS P. PRATT,
FRED E. WOOD,
Board of Sewer Commissioners.

Seal Town of Milford.

Town of Hopedale, by
C. E. PIERCE,
C. H. DRAPER,
GEO. A. DRAPER,
Road Commissioners.

Seal Town of Hopedale.

Copy. (Original on file with the records of the sewer commissioners of the town of Milford.)

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Office of the State Board of Health,

State House, Boston.

Henry P. Walcott, M. D., Chairman,
Julian A. Mead, M. D., James W. Hull,
Hiram F. Mills, C. E., Charles H. Porter,
Gerard C. Tobey, Esq., Robert W. Lovett, M. D.,
Charles Harrington, M. D., Secretary,
X. H. Goodnough, C. E., Engineer.

October 23, 1908.

To Messrs. Frank P. Dillon, Louis P. Pratt and Fred E. Wood, board of sewer commissioners of the town of Milford,
And Messrs. C. E. Pierce, C. H. Draper and Geo. A. Draper, road commissioners of the town of Hopedale,

Gentlemen: The state board of health has examined the agreement between your boards relative to the connection of certain territory in the town of Hopedale with the sewerage system of the town of Milford, and has also examined the plan of the proposed connection submitted therewith; and having caused the locality to be examined, hereby approves the agreement and plan as provided by Chapter 281 of the Acts of the year 1908.

By order of the board,
WM. C. HANSON,
Acting Secretary.

TOWN WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss:

To either constable of the Town of Hopedale in said county,
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said town, on Tuesday, the third day of November, A. D. 1908, it being the first Tuesday after the first Monday, punctually at 5.45 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the polls will be opened for said voters to give in their ballots to the selectmen for electors of president and vice president; governor; lieutenant-governor; secretary; treasurer; auditor; attorney-general; representative in congress; councillor; senator; two representatives in the General Court; county commissioner; also county commissioner to fill vacancy; associate commissioner to fill vacancy; register of probate and insolvency; all on one ballot designating the office intended for each person voted for.

The polls may be closed at one o'clock in the afternoon on said day of meeting.

At 12 o'clock noon of the above-mentioned third day of November, at the same place, there will be a meeting of the above-described inhabitants qualified by law to vote in town affairs to act upon the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To hear the report of any committees appointed by the town and act thereon.

Article 3. To see if the town will vote to accept and allow the alteration and re-location of that portion of Main street extending westerly from the Milford town line to Highland street, as reported by the board of road commissioners, or take any other action in relation to such alteration and re-location.

Article 4. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to make repairs and alterations on the Town House, appropriate money therefor, or take any action in relation to the same.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in at least four public places in said town, seven days at least before the time set for said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the clerk of said town, at the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Hopedale, this 22nd day of October, A. D., 1908.

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
S. E. KELLOGG,
Selectmen of Hopedale.

Attest:

WALTER F. DURGIN,
Constable of Hopedale.

Hopedale, Mass., Nov. 3, 1908.

I have complied with the requirements of this warrant, by posting attested copies in the several places herein named.

WALTER F. DURGIN,
Constable.

A true copy. Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

TOWN MEETING, NOV. 3, 1908.

Pursuant to warrant lawfully posted, the inhabitants of Hopedale, duly qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, met at Town Hall, and punctually at 5.45 o'clock in the

forenoon, were called to order by the clerk of said town, who read the warrant, after which the polls were declared open.

The cards of instructions and sample ballots being previously posted, the ballot clerks and deputy ballot clerks were sworn to the faithful performance of their duty, the official ballots delivered by the presiding officer to the ballot clerks who receipted therefor.

The ballot box registered at zero, and was shown to be empty. The ballot box was locked and the keys delivered to Constable Walter F. Durgin.

Voting then proceeded. At 12 o'clock noon, there was a meeting of the above-described inhabitants, and under Article 1 F. J. Dutcher was chosen moderator with the use of the check list.

Article 2. No reports.

Article 3. Voted: That the town do accept and allow the alteration and re-location of the portion of Main street as reported by the board of road commissioners.

Article 4. Voted: That the selectmen be authorized to make repairs and alterations on the Town House, and that the sum of eight hundred ($800) dollars be appropriated therefor.

Voted: To close the polls at 4.35 o'clock, this being the hour of sunset.

At 12.20 o'clock, the ballot box, which registered 437, was opened by Constable Walter F. Durgin, and 437 ballots taken therefrom; the tellers being duly sworn as the law directs, counting proceeded. At 2.05 o'clock the ballot box, which now registered 470, was again opened by Constable Durgin, and 33 more ballots taken therefrom. Promptly at 4.35 o'clock the polls were declared closed. The ballot box now registered 491, and 21 more ballots were taken therefrom, making a total of 491. 491 names had been checked on the voting list, and 491 names had been checked on the ballot clerk's list.

The result was declared in open meeting as follows:

Electors of President and Vice President.

Bryan and Kern, democratic.....50

At large, Richard Olney of Boston .

At large, James E. Cotter of Hyde Park.

District 1 Luke J. Minahan of Pittsfield.

" 2 Theobald M. Connor of Northampton.

" 3 John O'Gara of Spencer.

" 4 Charles A. Babbitt of Fitchburg.

" 5 Humphrey O'Sullivan of Lowell.

" 6 William Stopford of Beverly.

" 7 Dennis H. Tyrrell of Chelsea.

" 8 Warren T. Morse of Medford.

" 9 William F. McClellan of Boston.

" 10 William T. Shea of Quincy.

" 11 Josiah Quincy of Boston.

" 12 Jeremiah J. Comba of Milford.

" 13 John W. Coughlin of Fall River.

" 14 Charles C. Paine of Barnstable.

Chafin and Watkins, prohibition..... 3

At large, Hervey S. Cowell of Ashburnham.

At large, John M. Fisher of Attleboro.

District 1 Wilbur M. Purrington of Williamsburg.

" 2 Oliver W. Cobb of Easthampton.

" 3 Chresten Peterson of Worcester.

" 4 Quincy Adams of Townsend.

" 5 John B. Lewis, Jr., of Reading.

" 6 Robert M. Martin of Salem.

" 7 Johnathan S. Lewis of Stoneham.

" 8 Alfred A. Wright of Cambridge.

" 9 Charles E. Eaton of Boston.

" 10 Moses D. Monroe of Milton.

" 11 Solon W. Bingham of Boston.

" 12 Napoleon B. Johnson of Milford.

" 13 David Morrison of Fall River.

" 14 Herbert L. Chipman of Sandwich.

Debs and Hanford, socialist..... 8
At large, Patrick Mahoney of Boston.
At large, Eliot White of Worcester.
District 1 Henry O. Brigham of Westfield.
" 2 Alva E. Fenton of Springfield.
" 3 James Cronin of Worcester.
" 4 Timothy Richardson of Leominster.
" 5 William E. Sproule of Lowell.
" 6 John Quincy Adams of Amesbury.
" 7 Ambrose Miles of Lynn.
" 8 Clayton S. Hunt of Somerville.
" 9 Samuel Zorn of Boston.
" 10 A. Hale Kingsley of Quincy.
" 11 George W. Galvin of Boston.
" 12 Michael J. Moore of Newton.
" 13 William Ohnesorge of New Bedford.
" 14 George A. Beedem of Brockton.

Gillhaus and Munro, socialist labor..... 2
At large, Thomas F. Brennan of Salem.
At large, Herman Koepke of Pittsfield.
District 1 Henry Noffke of Holyoke.
" 2 Frederick A. Nagler of Springfield.
" 3 Gustave S. Peterson of Worcester.
" 4 James Hayes of Leominster.
" 5 Gilbert G. Smith of Lawrence.
" 6 Jeremiah P. McNally of Salem.
" 7 Michael J. Quirk of Saugus.
" 8 Andrew Mortenson of Somerville.
" 9 Joseph C. Dunnack of Boston.
" 10 Andreas L. Wallin of Quincy.
" 11 Patrick Mulligan of Boston.
" 12 Carl F. Fredrikson of Hyde Park.
" 13 Dennis McGoff of New Bedford.
" 14 Charles H. Tobin of North Attleborough.

Hisgen and Graves, independence league..... 6
At large, Michael C. O'Neil of Boston.
At large, William F. Aiken of Greenfield.
District 1 Simon J. Griffin of West Springfield.
" 2 Charles F. Warner of Northampton.
" 3 William Crosbie of Worcester.
" 4 William Pierson of Hudson.
" 5 Michael A. Lee of Lowell.
" 6 Roland D. Sawyer of Haverhill.
" 7 George W. Casavant of Saugus.
" 8 Grenville S. MacFarland of Cambridge.
" 9 James P. Hayes of Boston.
" 10 Charles O. Power of Boston.
" 11 John A. Coulthurst of Boston.
" 12 Eugene L. Murphy of Norwood.
" 13 Matthew Hart of New Bedford.
" 14 Herbert E. Bryant of Kingston.

Taft and Sherman, republican.....400
At large, John L. Bates of Boston.
At large, August H. Goetting of Springfield.
District 1 Charles S. Shattuck of Hatfield.
" 2 Almond Smith of Athol.
" 3 Frank Hartley of Webster.
" 4 Allen G. Buttrick of Lancaster.
" 5 James R. Berwick of Methuen.
" 6 Ulysses G. Haskell of Beverly.
" 7 Charles N. Barney of Lynn.
" 8 John Read of Cambridge.
" 9 Jerome A. Petitti of Boston.
" 10 Milton C. Paige of Boston.
" 11 James N. Thompson of Boston.
" 12 Jesse S. Wiley of Brookline.
" 13 Benjamin H. Anthony of New Bedford.
" 14 Alfred B. Williams of Taunton.

Blanks 22

Governor.

James P. Carey, of Haverhill, Socialist	6
Eben S. Draper, of Hopedale, Republican	420
Walter J. Hoar, of Worcester, Socialist Labor	0
William N. Osgood, of Lowell, Independence League	6
James H. Vahey, of Watertown, Democrat	35
Willard O. Wylie, of Beverly, Prohibition	8
Blanks	16

Lieutenant-Governor.

Charles J. Barton, of Melrose, Democrat	40
Joao Claudino, of New Bedford, Socialist Labor	1
Louis A. Frothingham, of Boston, Republican	404
John Hall, Jr., of West Springfield, Socialist	7
Robert J. McCartney, of Kingston, Ind. League	7
Frank N. Rand, of Haverhill, Prohibition	7
Blanks	25

Secretary.

James F. Aylward, of Cambridge, Democrat	36
Herbert B. Griffin, of Boston, Prohibition	7
George Nelson, of Boston, Socialist Labor	1
Wm. M. Olin, of Boston, Republican	395
Squire E. Putney, of Somerville, Socialist	7
John F. Williams, of Waltham, Ind. League	7
Blanks	38

Treasurer.

Charles E. Butterworth, of Somerville, Ind. League	6
Arthur B. Chapin, of Holyoke, Republican	391
Henry C. Hess, of Boston, Socialist Labor	2
Charles C. Hitchcock, of Ware, Socialist	7
Edward Kendall, of Cambridge, Prohibition	7
Erwin H. Kennedy, of Pittsfield, Democrat	34
Blanks	44

Auditor.

Frank Bohmback, of Boston, Socialist Labor	0
John E. Dempsey, of Fall River, Ind. League	7
George G. Hall, of Boston, Socialist	8
Wilbur D. Moon, of Lynn, Prohibition	9
Henry E. Turner, of Malden, Republican	386
Simeon Viger, of Lawrence, Democrat	31
Blanks	50

Attorney-General.

Henry M. Dean, of Hyde Park, Prohibition	8
Elliot C. Harding, of Tisbury, Socialist Labor	1
Dana Malone, of Greenfield, Republican	379
John McCarty, of Abington, Socialist	7
Richard J. Talbot, of Springfield, Ind. League	7
John Alden Thayer, of Worcester, Democrat	43
Blanks	46

Congressman (12th District).

Albert E. George, of Walpole, Ind. League	11
Jesse C. Ivy, of Newton, Democrat	39
John W. Weeks, of Newton, Republican	396
Blanks	45

Councillor (7th District).

J. Lovell Johnson, of Fitchburg, Republican	377
Arthur E. Seagrave, of Uxbridge, Democrat	49
Blanks	65

Senator.

George F. Birch, of Milford, Republican	337
John F. Meaney, of Blackstone, Democrat	89
Blanks	65

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT (9TH WORCESTER DISTRICT).

William R. Burke, of Milford, Democrat	115
S. Alden Eastman, of Milford, Republican	348
Frank Goodhue, of Northbridge, Democrat	37
Wilmarth A. Westcott, of Hopedale, Republican	330
Blanks	152

COUNTY COMMISSIONER (WORCESTER).

Warren Goodale, of Clinton, Republican	386
Nicholas J. Mooney, of Worcester, Democrat	45
Blanks	60

COUNTY COMMISSIONER (TO FILL VACANCY) (WORCESTER).

Edward A. Harris, of Worcester, Democrat	50
Arthur C. Moore, of Southbridge, Republican	379
Blanks	62

REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY (WORCESTER COUNTY).

John H. S. Hunt, of Worcester, Democrat	45
John W. Mawbey, of Worcester, Republican	384
Blanks	62

ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER (TO FILL VACANCY) (WORCESTER).

Thomas C. Sheldon, of Fitchburg, Republican	396
Blanks	95

After the reading of the above by the presiding officer, E. A. Darling, the check lists used by the selectmen and the ballot clerks, together with the cancelled and unused ballots and tally sheets were delivered into the custody of the town clerk, and the returns signed ready for mailing.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

Nov. 5, 1908.

This is to certify that A. F. Fairbanks has been granted an Auctioneer's License by the selectmen of the town of Hopedale on this 5th day of November, 1908, and has paid the necessary fee. (For one year.)

Per order of Board of Selectmen,

W. S. HAGUE,
Clerk.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

Nov. 12, 1908.

REPORT FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

From Warrant for Town Meeting, November 3, 1908

Article 3. To see if the town will vote to accept and allow the alteration and re-location of that portion of Main street extending westerly from the Milford town line to Highland street, as reported by the board of road commissioners, or take any other action in relation to such alteration and re-location.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Town of Hopedale.

Board of Road Commissioners:

Upon the petition of certain inhabitants of said town, asking that that portion of Main street extending westerly from the Milford town line to Highland street, be altered and re-located, we, the board of road commissioners of said town, gave notice as required by law to all owners of land over which said way is altered and re-located, and to all abutters on said portion of said way of our intention to alter and re-locate the same; and in accordance with such notice, on the sixteenth day of October, 1908, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, we met upon the location of said way to be altered and re-located, and heard all parties interested, and

we have determined and adjudicated that public convenience and necessity require the alteration and re-location of said highway; and we have altered and re-located, and do hereby alter and re-locate the same, so that its boundaries and measurements as altered and re-located are as follows:

The northerly or northwesterly line thereof begins at a point in said town line measured northerly .67 feet thereon from the stone town bound near the junction of said Main street and Adin street; thence said line extends S. 42 degrees 15 minutes W. 337.53 feet with park land of said town, to a stone bound at land of Eben S. Draper; thence S. 50 degrees W. with said Draper land, 296.27 feet to a stone bound; then still with said Draper land, S. 50 degrees 26 minutes W., 70.95 feet to a stone bound; at which point said street is 49.5 feet wide; and the southerly or southeasterly line of said street will be as follows: Beginning at a point 49.5 feet from the last mentioned stone bound, measured on a line at a right angle to said street line, and thence N. 50 degrees 26 minutes E. 76.9 feet with land of Lavender N. Tarbox, to the easterly edge of a stone pier; thence N. 50 degrees E. 296.27 feet, with land of Charles H. Andrew, to a stone bound at land of Mary A. Moore; thence N. 42 degrees 15 minutes E. 324.91 feet with land of Mary A. Moore, William W. Knights and Fred L. Metcalf, to a stone bound in said line.

Said highway as altered and re-located extends over park land of the town of Hopedale and land of Eben S. Draper, and the abutters on the southeasterly side are Fred L. Metcalf, William W. Knights, Mary A. Moore, Charles H. Andrew and Lavender N. Tarbox.

Said alteration and re-location are in accordance with a plan thereof filed herewith in the office of the town clerk, made by G. C. Eastman, C. E., dated September, 1908, and marked "Plan of re-location—Main street, Hopedale, Mass."

We have determined no damage to be sustained by any person in said alteration or re-location, and therefore assess no damage for any owner or abutter.

The place and manner of aforesaid alteration and re-location over the park land of the town of Hopedale are approved by the board of park commissioners of said town, as witnessed by its endorsement hereon.

C. E. PIERCE,
GEO. A. DRAPER,
C. H. DRAPER,
Road Commissioners of the Town of Hopedale.

October 16, 1908.

Hopedale, Mass., Oct. 16, 1908.

We hereby approve the place and manner of the aforesaid alteration and re-location as made by the board of road commissioners.

FRANK J. DUTCHER,
C. F. ROPER,
G. O. DRAPER,
Park Commissioners of the Town of Hopedale.

Voted: That the town do accept and allow the alteration and re-location of the portion of Main street as reported by the board of road commissioners.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

CLERKS' MEETING, NOV. 13, 1908.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss:

Milford, November 13, 1908.

In compliance with Section 290 of Chapter 500 of the Acts of 1907, we, the town clerks of the towns of Hopedale, Mendon, Milford, Northbridge and Upton, which towns comprise the Ninth Worcester Representative District, this day met at the office of the town clerk in said Milford, and canvassed the return

of votes in said towns for two representatives in the General Court, to be holden in Boston on the first Wednesday in January next. Said votes were returned to us as by law required, and were given in at a legal meeting held in each of said towns for that purpose, on the 3rd day of November, A. D. 1908, and was shown by the following tabular statement:

	Hopedale	Mendon	Milford	Northbridge	Upton	Total
William R. Burke of Milford had	115	55	1276	332	163	1941
S. Alden Eastman " "	348	104	732	522	226	1932
Frank Goodhue " Northbridge	37	33	748	397	104	1320
Wilmarth A. Westcott, Hopedale	330	83	566	449	174	1602
M. S. McMahon, Milford			1			
Blanks,	152	71	861	454	200	1738
Total,	982	346	4184	2154	868	8534

William R. Burke of Milford and S. Alden Eastman of Milford having received the largest number of votes, were declared elected, and to them were certificates issued, also a duplicate certificate sent to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, as the law requires.

In witness whereof, we, the town clerks of Hopedale, Mendon, Milford, Northbridge and Upton, have hereunto set our names this 13th day of November, A. D. 1908.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN, Town Clerk of Hopedale,
HORACE C. ADAMS, Town Clerk of Mendon,
DENNIS J. SULLIVAN, Town Clerk of Milford,
JOSEPH A. JOHNSTON, Town Clerk of Northbridge.
FRANCIS T. NELSON, Town Clerk of Upton.

A true Copy. Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

November 27, 1908.

The board of selectmen, town clerk and constable, Robert Ross, met at the selectmen's room, Town Hall, Nov. 30th, 1908, at 7 o'clock p. m., and Selectman S. E. Kellogg drew from the juror box the name of Arthur E. Nelson to serve as traverse juror at our Superior Court, to be holden at Worcester, within and for our County of Worcester, on the second Monday of December, 1908, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

JURORS DRAWN.

Edwin C. Hall, traverse juror, Oct. 8, 1908.

Arthur E. Nelson, traverse juror, Nov. 27, 1908.

DOG LICENSES ISSUED.

99 male, 6 female. Amount sent to County Treasurer, $207.00, of which amount $184.23 was returned to the town.

VITAL STATISTICS.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN 1908.

DATE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.	MARRIAGE.	BY WHOM AND WHERE MARRIED.
1908					
Jan. 29	William R. Howard,	Milford, N. H.	50	3rd	Rev. W. Woodbury,
	Adaline C. Clark,	Hopedale,	42	1st	Hopedale.
Feb. 18	Hamilton S. Conant,	Boston,	57	2nd	Rev. F. A. Warfield,
	Bessie T. Roper,	Hopedale,	32	1st	Hopedale.
Feb. 18	George A. Phillips,	Hopedale,	32	1st	Rev. E. R. Sweetland,
	Mary M. Gallant,	Milford	23	1st	Providence, R. I.
Apr. 15	William H. Nelson,	Hopedale,	40	2nd	Rev. F. W. Pratt,
	Clara E. Welch,	Hopedale,	51	2nd	Hopedale.
May 9	Benjamin W. Ross,	Hopedale,	21	1st	Rev. E. M. Barney,
	Ida May Norton,	Hopedale,	18	1st	Pawtucket, R. I.
May 16	Charles L. Crane,	Upton,	35	2nd	Rev. F. W. Pratt,
	Fanny J. Leonard,	Upton,	40	1st	Hopedale.
May 30	Allan J. Cooke,	Milford,	23	1st	Rev. J. H. Hartmann
	Evelyn C. Libbey,	Milford,	23	1st	Hopedale.
June 17	George W. Bacon,	Hopedale,	65	2nd	Rev. William Paul,
	Margaret J. Hodge,	Hopedale,	43	1st	Thetford, Vt.
June 23	Clarence E. Arnold,	Hopedale,	30	1st	Rev. S. A. Dyke,
	Ethelyn E. Harding,	Milford,	26	1st	Milford.
July 23	George A. Drew,	Milford,	58	2nd	Rev. T. C. Watkins,
	Mary J. (Young) Sharp	Hopedale,	32	2nd	Milford.
July 27	Jacob J. Emig,	Mendon,	41	2nd	Rev. David Howie,
	Ida M. Meade,	Mendon,	41	2nd	Hopedale.
Aug. 11	Arthur J. Chambers,	Hopedale,	21	1st	Rev. E. S. Ninde,
	Florence E. Brown,	Hopkinton,	20	1st	Providence, R. I.
Sept. 11	Harry C. Steele,	Hopedale,	19	1st	Rev. J. H. Lyon,
	Eva Loynds,	Grafton,	18	1st	Pawtucket, R. I.
Sept. 16	Oscar J. Peters,	Douglas,	38	2nd	Rev. E. W. Whitney,
	Florence Butterfield,	Hopedale,	22	1st	Hopedale.
Sept. 26	Cranston S. Thayer,	Hopedale,	30	1st	Rev. T. M. Hawes,
	Nellie Rubel,	Louisville, Ky.,	29	1st	Louisville, Ky.
Oct. 6	George F. Parish,	Hopedale,	22	1st	Rev. E W. Whitney,
	Esther L. Andrew,	Hopedale,	18	1st	Milford.
Oct. 14	Olney G. Nuttting,	Sunapee, N. H.	24	1st	Rev. Geo. M. Smiley,
	Ethelwyn Britten,	Hopedale,	22	1st	Hopedale.
Nov. 26	Peter E. Ennis,	Hopedale,	34	1st	Rev. D. F. McGrath,
	Annie G. Gleason,	Hopedale,	31	1st	Milford.
Dec. 31	Edward W. Simmons,	Hopedale,	25	1st	Rev. T. C. Watkins,
	Jennie L. Morse,	West Upton,	22	1st	Milford.

BIRTHS REGISTERED DURING 1908.

DATE.	NAME.	PARENTS.
1907		
Aug. 14	Ralph Everett Boomer,	Ezra C. and Catherine (Cameron).
1908		
Jan. 2	Stillborn,	
Jan. 3	Helen Esma Wells,	Lucian E. and Perl (Hurt).
Feb. 2	Arthur Laurie Hutchinson,	Laurie and Lizzie (Coady).
Feb. 3	Marian Arlene White,	Clarence E. and Marjorie (Battey).
Mar. 2	Job Raymond Steere,	Enoch and Annie G. (Donohue).
Mar. 3	Alice Gertrude Williams,	Warren G. and Dellie (Renaud).
Mar. 11	Hope Dale Leonard,	Harold A. & Emma F. H. (Blackington).
Mar. 15	George Henderson Gaskill,	Henry T. and Della Mae (Henderson)
Mar. 24	Dina Cassiana,	Giovanni and Sunta (Lucchetti).
Apr. 7	—— Marsh,	Aaron C. and Nellie (Grant).
Apr. 19	Frances Mather Austin,	Willis G. and Helen M. (Mather).
Apr. 20	Ada Lucy King,	George R. and Lucy C. (Chase).
Apr. 22	Agnes Gaffney,	John F. and Emma F. (Grant).
Apr. 25	Elwin Lawrence Coffin,	Eugene L. and Alice B. (Downing).
May 7	Charles Mason Fairbank,	Charles M. and Elizabeth C. (Nealley)
May 8	Arthur Alfred Mayhew,	Alfred C. and Albertine (Bergeron).
June 1	Katherine Safford Campbell,	Kleber A. and Mary B. (Safford).
June 3	Burleigh Lapworth,	Frank A. and Mary L. (Wood).
June 11	Robert Gibson Goodnow,	Franklin E. and Agnes A. (Gibson).
June 11	Fredrick Joseph Ring,	Fredrick J. and Beatrice B. (Campbell).
June 24	Dorothy Newton Holmes,	Charles W. and Annie (Newton).
July 6	John Joseph Regan,	Joseph and Lucy (Buckley).
July 12	Sylvia Caroline Bassett,	Geo. W. and Lilla H. (Darling).
July 24	Henry Bracci,	Paul and Guditta (Bresciani).
July 27	Edgar C. Spiller,	John W. and Hattie (Buzzell).
Aug. 1	Howard Whitney,	William E. and Ida E. (Bacon).
Aug. 10	Mark Kenneth Smith,	Mark and Adelia E. (Greenleaf).
Aug. 21	Ruth Elizabeth Knight,	Bertrand E. and Florence B. (Downing)
Aug. 21	Ruth Constance Brown,	Fred A. and Mary J. (Hennessey).
Sept. 1	Josephine Bagnoli,	Santo and Palmira (Pederzoli).
Sept. 3	Warren Ross Farrington,	Fred A. and Fannie B. (Ross).
Sept. 24	—— Whipple,	George C. and Caroline (Bright).
Sept. 27	Howard Taft French,	William H. and Florence I. (Taft).
Sept. 29	Alfred Alexander Norman,	Peter and Adeline (Ballard).
Oct. 1	Charles Edgar Solomon,	Clarence B. and Bertha M. (Welch).
Oct. 13	Ernest Knox Mellen,	Frank E. and Mary L. (Knox).
Oct. 18	Elwin Chapin Nutting,	Elwin A. and Ruth C. (Henry).
Oct. 31	Fred Smith Wilson,	Fildecevvra and Elizabeth (Smith).
Nov. 2	Bernice May Henley,	Zenas and May (Berry).
Nov. 2	Eleanor Ruth Siddons,	Reginald A. and Ethel L. (Ward).
Nov. 3	Albert Lee Knox,	Clarence I. and Alice M. (Walker).
Nov. 8	John Thomas Hanley,	John A. and Mary (Hayes).
Nov. 16	Thomas Stanson Hattersley,	Thomas S. and Emily (Menagh).
Dec. 2	William Phillips Dennison,	William and Mary (Phillips).
Dec. 5	Charles W. Currie,	Arthur and Alice (Davis).
Dec. 19	Alton Herbert Chase,	Herbert C. and Ethel M. (Heath).
Dec. 21	Royal Ellsworth Davis, Jr.,	Royal E. and Pauline W. (Young).
Dec. 29	Bernice May Spaulding,	Cleveland L. and Gertrude M. (Watts).
Dec. 30	Sarah Maria Nelson,	Arthur E. and Agnes M. (Blanchard).

DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1908.

DATE		NAME OF DECEASED	AGE Y	M	D	DISEASE OR CAUSE OF DEATH.	PLACE OF BIRTH
1908							
Jan.	2	Stillborn,					
Jan.	22	Charles S. Miller,		1	25	Pneumonia,	Hopedale.
Jan.	24	Estella Knights,	53	8	12	Cerebral Embolism,	Mendon,
Jan.	26	George N. Merrill,	80	1	1	Senility.	Bath, N. H.
Mar.	3	Merrick E. Hall,	72	11	28	Cerebral Hemorrhage	Uxbridge.
Mar.	5	Herbert F .Taylor, Jr.	2	7	22	Entero-Colitis,	Melrose.
Mar.	5	Alice G. Williams,			2	Meningocele,	Hopedale.
Apr.	7	—— Marsh,			1	Cerebral Congestion,	Hopedale.
Apr.	15	Margaret Dillon,	50			Cerebral Apoplexy,	Milford.
Apr.	24	Eliza A. Beebe,	72	10	24	Pneumonia,	Warwick, R.I.
Apr.	25	Henry E. Vance,	15	7	27	Paralysis of Heart,	Uxbridge.
Apr.	17	Ernest W. Wood,	32	1	27	Acute Myo-Carditis,	P'tucket, R.I.
July	9	Theresa J. McManus,	50			Thermic Fever,	Milford.
July	12	Genevieve Madden,	4	1	27	Pneumonia,	Milford.
July	18	Lillian J. Ross,	30	2	24	Empyema,	Hopedale.
Aug.	31	Eldric Chapdelaine,	43			Chronic Nephritis,	Milford.
Sept.	9	Charlotte L. Nelson,	82		8	Acute Indigestion,	Roxbury.
Sept.	15	Carrie E. Cole,	60	4	12	Anasarca,	Addison, Me.
Sept.	23	Nancy C. Smith,	71	7	28	Carcinoma of Breast,	Southbridge.
Sept.	24	Caroline Whipple,	30	10	25	Nephritis,	Whitinsville.
Sept.	25	—— Whipple,			1	Premature Birth,	Hopedale.
Oct.	1	Catherine T. Madden,	30	5	19	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	Worcester.
Oct.	9	Sarah Gleason,	64			Peritonitis,	England.
Nov.	5	Michael J. Cahill,	29	6	24	Disease of Heart,	Whitinsville.
Nov.	21	Eugene J. Cunningham,	51	3	21	Bright's Disease,	Ireland.
Nov.	25	Alice D. E. de Cartier de Marchienne	33	10	18	Tuberculosis,	Milford.
Nov.	27	Helen E. Arrand,	63	7	28	Arterio Sclorosis	Lansingburg, N. Y.
Dec.	27	Ellen F. Gaskill,	70	10	11	Heart Disease,	Mendon.

Parents and others are requested to carefully examine the above lists and if any errors or omissions are discovered report them at once to the town clerk, that the record may be corrected, as it is of importance that the records of Vital Statistics should be complete. Herewith are extracts from the Revised Laws of Massachusetts, Vol. I, Chap. 29.

SECTION 3. Physicians and midwives shall on or before the fifth day of each month report to the clerk of each city or town a correct list of all children born therein during the preceding month at whose birth they were present, stating the date and place of each birth, the name, if any, of the child, its sex and color, and the name, place of birth, and residence of the parents, the maiden name of the mother, and the occupation of the father. If the

child is illegitimate, the name of, and other facts relating to, the father shall not be stated, except at the request in writing of both father and mother, filed with the return. The fee of the physician or midwife shall be twenty-five cents for each birth so reported which shall be paid by the city or town where the report is made, upon presentation to the city or town treasurer of a certificate from the city or town clerk stating that said births have been properly reported to him. A physician or midwife who neglects to report such lists on or before the fifteenth day of the month shall for each offence forfeit not more than twenty-five dollars.

SECTION 6. Parents within forty days after the birth of a child, and every householder, within forty days after a birth in his house, shall cause notice thereof to be given to the clerk of the city or town in which such child is born.

Blanks can be obtained on application to the town clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. JORDAN,

Town Clerk.

TREASURER'S REPORT, 1908.

School Department in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer.

Dr.		Cr.	
To orders drawn, viz.:—		By appropriations:—	
Teaching, Hopdale	$ 8,137 00	General	$14,600 00
Teaching, South Hopedale	615 20	Remodeling High School	22,000 00
Care, Hopedale	1,196 38	School property sold	17 45
Care, South Hopedale	42 00	Tuition	43 00
Fuel, Hopedale	1,458 03	Balance	965 32
Fuel, South Hopedale	29 50		
Text books	635 62		
Supervision	674 14		
Repairs	669 98		
Incidentals	830 29		
Transportation	276 12		
Improvements	66 70		
School physician	18 50		
Remodeling High School	22,976 31		
	$37,625 77		$37,625 77
Balance overdrawn:—		Balance unexpended:—	
Remodeling High School	$976 31	General	$10 99

PARK COMMISSION in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

DR.		CR.	
To orders drawn, viz.:—		By appropriation	$2,500 00
Grading	$ 71 63	Labor and material charged to sundry parties	246 75
Trees and shrubs	47 25	Interest on fund of Adin street lot	75 00
Fertilizer	56 50	Balance of interest, 1907, Adin street fund	19 77
Plans and surveys	60 16		
Roads	49 25		
Pay roll	1,457 28		
Tools	15 83		
Bath house	243 01		
Shelter and seats	311 48		
Adin street lot	91 44		
Incidentals (See commissioners' report)	428 89		
Balance	8 80		
	$2,841 52		$2,841 52
		Balance unexpended:—	
		General	$5 47
		Adin street lot	3 33

TREASURER'S REPORT—CONTINUED.

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

DR.		CR.	
To orders drawn, viz.:—		By appropriations:—	
Books	$ 536 51	General	$ 2,800 00
Periodicals	141 30	Fines, sale of books, etc.	155 06
Binding	109 45	Dog taxes	184 23
Salaries	1,419 31	Income from Bancroft fund	40 00
Lighting	272 16		
Heating	256 50		
Sundries (See trustees' report)	444 06		
	$3,179 29		$3,179 29

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

DR.		CR.	
To orders drawn, viz.:—		By appropriations:—	
See highway commissioners' report....	$24,942 94	General	$ 5,500 00
Watering streets.....	1,484 44	West Main street improvements.....	10,000 00
Balance	6,458 65	West Main street sewers.....	4,000 00
		Northrop street.....	10,000 00
		Watering streets.....	1,450 00
		Watering streets, Cenedella Co., use of sprinkler.....	45 00
		Street railway excise tax.....	254 16
		Material and work furnished and charged to sundry parties.....	1,636 87
	$32,886 03		$32,886 03
		Balance unexpended.....	$6,448 09
		Watering streets.....	10 56

TREASURER'S REPORT—CONTINUED.

SIDEWALK DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

DR.		CR.	
To orders drawn, viz.:—		By appropriation	$ 500 00
Labor and material	$ 665 75	Charges on new walks	173 34
Balance	7 59		
	$673 34		$673 34
		Balance unexpended	$7 59

FIRE DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

DR.		CR.	
To orders drawn, viz.:—		By appropriations:—	
Pay of members	$ 1,006 12	General account	$ 1,875 00
Fuel	91 73	New hose	200 00
Water	11 00	Forest fires	100 00
Lights	16 92	Overcoats	110 00
Hose	200 00	Steam gong	500 00

Telephones	40 96	Alterations to engine house	6,300 00
Forest fires	58 89	Material, etc., sold	142 44
Overcoats	108 23		
Steam gong	487 66		
Alterations to engine house	6,170 11		
Sundries (See engineers' report)	894 78		
Balance	141 04		
	$9,227 44		$9,227 44
Balance overdrawn:—		Balances unexpended:—	
General	$44 07	Forest fires	$41 11
		Overcoats	1 77
		Steam gong	12 34
		Alterations to engine house	129 89

TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

Incidental Department in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer.

Dr.

To orders drawn, viz.:—		
Salaries:—		
Selectmen	$200 00	
Selectmen's clerk	50 00	
Treasurer	100 00	
Town clerk	50 00	
Collector	244 95	
Assessors	180 00	
Registrars	85 00	
Auditor	30 00	
Election officials	33 00	
Cattle inspector	25 00	
Town counsel	200 00	
		$1,197 95
Stationery		98 62
Printing		268 19
Insurance		818 00

Cr.

By appropriation:—	
General	$ 3,000 00
Court fines	4 19
Bound town reports sold	16 50
Lock-up keys	75
J. J. Gibbs, druggist's license	1 00
A. F. Fairbanks, auctioneer's license	2 00
Wm. Yurgel, peddler's license	8 00
Balance	14 55

Court expenses	13 61	
Sundries (See selectmen's report)	650 62	
	$3,046 99	$3,046 99
Balance overdrawn	$14 55	

BOARD OF HEALTH in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

DR.		CR.	
To orders drawn, viz.:—		By appropriation	$300 00
Sundries (See board of health report)	$174 61		
Balance	125 39		
	$300 00		$300 00
		Balance unexpended	$125 39

POOR DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

DR.		CR.	
To orders drawn, viz.:—		By appropriation.....	$800 00
Sundries (See overseers' report).....	$336 71		
Balance	463 29		
	$800 00		$800 00
		Balance unexpended.....	$463 29

STATE AID in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

DR.		CR.	
To amount paid on orders and charged to state on 1908 account.....	$726 00	By amount received from state on 1907 account	$490 00

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

DR.		CR.	
	Water Account.		
To orders drawn	$2,250 00	By appropriation	$2,250 00

	Street Lighting Account.		
To orders drawn	$3,465 88	By appropriation	$3,600 00
Balance	134 12		
	$3,600 00		$3,600 00
		Balance unexpended	$134 12

	Memorial Day.		
To order drawn	$50 00	By appropriation	$50 00

TREASURER'S REPORT—CONTINUED.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

Interest Account.

To orders drawn	$247 24	By appropriation	$300 00
Balance	537 23	Interest on deposits	484 47
	$784 47		$784 47
		Balance unexpended	$537 23

Town Hall Account.

To orders drawn	$1,574 55	By appropriation	$ 500 00
Balance	429 45	1908 rents	1,504 00
	$2,004 00		$2,004 00
		Balance unexpended	$429 45

Alteration on Town Hall Building.

To orders drawn	$771 80	By appropriation	$800 00
Balance	28 20		
	$800 00		$800 00
		Balance unexpended	$28 20

State and County Tax Account.

To state tax	$ 9,240 00	By appropriation	$13,000 00
County tax	6,010 00	Balance	2,250 00
	$15,250 00		$15,250 00
Balance overdrawn	$2,250 00		

Tree Warden.

To orders drawn	$550 14	By appropriation	$500 00
		Labor charged sundry parties	42 50
		Balance	7 64
	$550 14		$550 14
Balance overdrawn	$7 64		

CORPORATION, BANK AND STREET RAILWAY TAX in account with E. D. BANCROFT, *Treasurer*.

DR.		CR.	
To corporation tax, 1907 account.....	$ 216 06	By cash, 1907 corporation tax.....	$ 216 06
Corporation tax, 1908 account.....	13,669 92	Cash, 1908 corporation tax.....	13,669 92
Bank tax, 1907 account.....	77 22	Cash, 1907 bank tax.....	77 22
Bank tax, 1908 account.....	12,546 58	Cash, 1908 bank tax.....	12,546 58
Street railway tax, 1908 account.....	24 22	Cash, 1908 street railway tax.....	24 22
	$26,534 00		$26,534 00

CEMETERY TRUST ACCOUNT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

DR.		CR.	
To balance of account.....	$2,279 00	By balance from last account.....	$2,204 00
		Received from estate of Emily Albee for care of lot in South Hopedale town cemetery.....	75 00
	$2,279 00		$2,279 00

Dr.		Cr.	
Detailed Account.			
Burlingame lot	$100 00	A. T. Field, account Thwing lot	$150 00
Sarah M. Whipple	100 00	P. W. Moody, account lot 45	50 00
Sally Whipple	100 00	W. G. Comstock	50 00
Margaret Humphrey	250 00	Mary J. Jacques	100 00
J. B. Bancroft	500 00	J. A. Edmands	100 00
F. J. and G. M. Dutcher	150 00	George Scriven	65 00
S. B. Holbrook	100 00	George H. Cole	100 00
L. H. Ballou	200 00	Frank H. French	75 00
Mary Draper	14 00	Estate Emily Albee	75 00

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS CHARGED TO SUNDRY PARTIES UNPAID DEC. 31, 1908.

State of Massachusetts, state aid, 1908 account	$726 00
State of Massachusetts, military burials, 1907 account	37 00
Howe Engine Co	140 90

BORROWED MONEY in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

Dr.	Cr.	
	By money borrowed under vote of town July 9, 1908	$10,000 00

E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer, in account with the TOWN OF HOPEDALE.

DR.

To balance from old accounts, viz.:—		
Cemetery trust account.	$ 2,204 00	
Library trust account...	1,000 00	
Park trust account.....	1,500 00	
Balance general fund...	20,263 83	
		$24,967 83
Collector, 1907 account.....		66 84
Collector, 1908 account.....		46,834 36
Collector, street railway excise tax 1908 account.....		229 94
Corporation tax, 1907 account.....		216 06
Corporation tax, 1908 account.....		13,669 92
Bank tax, 1907 account.....		77 22
Bank tax, 1908 account.....		12,546 58
Street railway tax, 1907 account.....		24 22
State of Massachusetts, state aid, 1907 account		490 00

CR.

By amounts paid:—	
Fire department.....	$ 2,916 29
Poor department.....	336 71
Board of health.....	174 61
Library department.....	3,179 29
School department.....	37,625 77
Highway department.....	26,427 38
Sidewalk department.....	665 75
Park department.....	2,832 72
Incidental department.....	3,046 99
Water account.....	2,250 00
Street lighting.....	3,465 88
Interest account.....	247 24
Memorial Day.....	50 00
Town Hall.....	1,574 55
State and county taxes.....	15,250 00
Tree warden.....	550 14

State of Massachusetts, military burials 1907 account	70 00
Dog licenses, library account	184 23
Library, Bancroft fund income	40 00
Library, fines, sale of books, etc.	155 06
School department, property sold	17 45
School department, tuition	43 00
Highway department, 1907 account	8 92
Highway department, 1908 account	1,855 21
Fire department, property sold	5 00
Town Hall, rents, 1908	1,504 00
Interest on deposits	484 47
Court fines	4 19
J. J. Gibbs, druggist's license	1 00
A. F. Fairbanks, auctioneer's license	2 00
Wm. Yurgel, peddler's license	8 00
Incidental department, sale of bound town reports	16 50
Incidental department, lock-up keys	75
Park department, 1908 account	246 75
Park department, interest on fund	75 00
Tree warden, 1908 account	42 50
Alterations on Town Hall	771 80
State aid	726 00
Alterations to engine house	6,170 11
Refund on taxes, Hopedale Coal & Ice Co., to correct error	101 88
Balance	5,598 89

TREASURER'S REPORT—CONTINUED.

Borrowed money.....	$10,000 00	
Cemetery trust account, estate of Emily Albee	75 00	
	$113,962 00	$113,962 00

DR.

To balance to new account, viz.:—			
General funds.....		$ 5,598 89	
Against which we owe amount due on borrowed money under vote of town July 9, 1908.....	$10,000 00		
Cemetery trust account..	2,279 00		
Library trust account....	1,000 00		
Park trust account.....	1,500 00		
		$14,779 00	

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS, CASH RECEIPTS AND BALANCES FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1908

	Appropriations.	Cash Receipts.	Amts. Unpaid.	Balances. Overdrawn.	Balances. Unexpended.
School department:—					
General,	$14,600 00	$ 60 45			$ 10 99
Remodeling High School,	22,000 00			$976 31	
Library department:—					
General,	2,800 00	379 29			
Highway department:—					
General,	5,500 00				
W. Main street improvement	10,000 00				
W. Main street sewers,	4,000 00	1,891 03			6,448 09
Northrop street,	10,000 00				
Watering streets,	1,450 00	45 00			10 56
Sidewalks,	500 00	173 34			7 59
Fire department:—					
General,	1,875 00	5 00	137 44	44 07	
New hose,	200 00				
Forest fires,	100 00				41 11
Overcoats,	110 00				1 77
Steam gong,	500 00				12 34
Alterations to engine house,	6,300 00				129 89
Incidentals,	3,000 00	32 44		14 55	
Water account,	2,250 00				
Street lighting,	3,600 00				134 12
Alterations on Town Hall b'ld'g,	800 00				28 20
Interest,	300 00	484 47			537 23
Memorial Day,	50 00				
Town Hall,	500 00	1,504 00			429 45
State and county tax,	13,000 00			2250 00	
Tree warden,	500 00	42 50		7 64	
Poor department,	800 00				463 29
Board of health,	300 00				125 39
Park commissioners,	2,500 00	341 52			8 80
State aid,		490 00	726 00		
Military burials,		70 00			

Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1908	$24,967 83	
Total receipts for year	88,994 17	
		$113,962 00
Total cash expenditures on 1908 accounts		108,363 11
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1909		5,598 89

Against which we owe:

Borrowed money under vote of town July 9, '08	$10,000 00
Cemetery trust account	2,279 00
Library trust account	1,000 00
Park trust account	1,500 00
	$14,779 00

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

For the Year Ending December 31, 1908.

INCIDENTALS.

By appropriation		$ 3,000 00
Josiah J. Gibbs, license fee		1 00
William Yurgel, license fee		8 00
A. F. Fairbanks, auctioneer's fee		2 00
Samuel Olivant, lock-up keys		75
Bound town reports		16 50
Fines received from Third District court		4 19
To D. A. Westcott, insurance	$818 00	
S. E. Hapgood, carriage for assessors	6 00	
W. H. Jordan, sundries	2 70	
W. H. Jordan, vital statistics	35 90	
Josiah J. Gibbs, sundries	80	
W. S. Hague, traveling expenses	20 45	
Wendell Williams, extra labor on account of sewerage	134 43	
Draper Co., sundries	13 23	
State of Massachusetts, license fee	25	
Davoren's Express, express	1 40	
License blank	30	
W. F. Durgin, service as dog officer	14 00	
W. F. Durgin, serving and posting warrants	7 00	
Clayton F. Gaskill, labor at cemetery	6 50	
Emery & Wood, return of 23 deaths	5 75	
New England Telephone & Telegraph Co., telephones	78 72	
W. & L. E. Gurley, sundries	1 70	
W. H. Jordan, procuring Justice of Peace commission	7 00	
W. F. Durgin, court expenses	2 81	

T. F. Matthews, court expenses.....	$7 24
J. J. O'Neil, court expenses.....	3 56
W. C. Tewksbury, repairing lights on Hope St. bridge.....	1 20
H. L. Patrick, sundries.....	30
West Disinfecting Co., sundries.....	20
O. L. Lurvey, clerical work.....	17 05
Henry A. Daniels, treasurer's bond...	80 00
Daniel Kent, registering deeds.....	1 54
Frank A. Davis, killing 1 dog.....	1 00
Gilbert C. Eastman, surveying, etc., at South Hopedale cemetery.....	12 50
Forbes Co., sundries.....	50
Mrs. Kate Peas, acc't Soldiers' Relief, Mrs. M. R. Hanley.....	42 00
Elizabeth Greenwood, acc't Soldiers' Relief, Mrs. M. R. Hanley.....	39 00
Dr. K. A. Campbell, return of 23 births	5 75
Dr. H. L. Keith, return of 2 births...	50
Dr. F. D. White, return of 3 births..	75
Dr. M. W. Knight, return of 6 births	1 50
Dr. F. H. Lally, return of 2 births...	50
Dr. G. F. Curley, return of 5 births..	1 25
Dr. Jno. J. Duggan, return of 3 births	75
Dr. J. M. French, return of 1 birth...	25
Stationery	98 62
Printing	268 19
E. A. Sherman, police duty.....	11 70
George G. Bailey, police duty.....	3 60
C. C. Downing, police duty.....	3 60
H. B. Leonard, police duty.....	3 60
W. F. Gaskill, police duty.....	3 60
W. C. McDonald, police duty.....	7 50
T. F. Matthews, police duty.....	8 10
S. E. Kellogg, police duty.....	11 35
H. E. Brown, police duty.....	6 60
W. F. Durgin, police duty.....	6 60
A. F. Fairbanks, police duty.....	12 00

W. E. Day, police duty	$19 20	
John M. French, police duty	3 60	
William Scriven, police duty	3 30	
Herbert A. Davis, police duty	3 60	
A. A. Messinger, service at polls	5 00	
C. E. Pierce, service at polls	5 00	
F. H. French, service at polls	3 00	
W. H. Grayson, service at polls	3 00	
Fred B. Sweet, service at polls	3 00	
George H. Davis, service at polls	3 00	
Thomas Gaffney, service at polls	3 00	
R. G. Gaskill, service at polls	3 00	
W. F. Durgin, service at polls	5 00	
A. A. Messinger, auditor	30 00	
E. S. Stimpson, collector of taxes	244 95	
E. A. Darling, chairman of selectmen	100 00	
L. B. Gaskill, selectman	50 00	
S. E. Kellogg, selectman	50 00	
W. S. Hague, clerk of selectmen	50 00	
H. F. Searles, registrar	25 00	
W. H. Jordan, registrar	25 00	
W. H. Jordan, clerk of registrars	10 00	
W. H. Jordan, town clerk	50 00	
W. H. Grayson, registrar	25 00	
Wendell Williams, town counsel	200 00	
William Bancroft, assessor	60 00	
H. W. Bracken, assessor	60 00	
W. S. Hague, assessor	60 00	
E. D. Bancroft, town treasurer	100 00	
Frank Gaskill, cattle inspector	25 00	
Balance overdrawn		14 55
	$3,046 99	$3,046 99

MEMORIAL DAY.

By appropriation		$50 00
To Post 22, G. A. R.	$50 00	
	$50 00	$50 00

INTEREST.

By appropriation		$300 00
Interest on deposits		484 47
To Bancroft Memorial Library trustees, trust fund	$40 00	
Hopedale Village Cemetery, trust fund	132 24	
Park department, trust fund	75 00	
Balance unexpended	537 23	
	$784 47	$784 47

TAXES.

By appropriation		$13,000 00
To state tax	$9,240 00	
County tax	6,010 00	
Balance overdrawn		2,250 00
	$15,250 00	$15,250 00

STREET LIGHTS.

By appropriation		$3,600 00
To Milford Electric Light & Power Co.	$3,465 88	
Balance unexpended	134 12	
	$3,600 00	$3,600 00

WATER FOR FIRE PURPOSES.

By appropriation		$2,250 00
To Milford Water Co.	$2,250 00	
	$2,250 00	$2,250 00

STATE AID.

Harriet A. Bean	$48 00
George B. Butterfield	36 00
Mary A. Cox	48 00
Julia A. Chipman	48 00
S. Caroline Clark	48 00
Hattie R. Force	48 00

Sarah M. Merriam	$48 00	
George H. Williams	72 00	
Olive Wood	6 00	
Oramandel Quimby	12 00	
Samuel P. Oliver	72 00	
Ralph Varnum	72 00	
Frederick Whitney	72 00	
Hepsy B. Barrows	44 00	
Sarah M. Gleason	40 00	
Ruth A. Sanderson	12 00	
By amount due from state		$726 00
	$726 00	$726 00

TOWN HALL.

By appropriation		$ 500 00
Rents		1,504 00
To Milford Water Co., water	$112 32	
Swift B. Lyon, tuning piano	9 00	
Milford Electric Light & Power Co.	52 65	
J. H. Sherman & Son, labor	6 00	
Janitors' salaries	583 00	
Draper Co., sundries	75	
W. C. Tewksbury, labor and supplies	168 32	
Eldredge & Son, labor	20 37	
Town of Hopedale, school department brushes	7 00	
Milford Gas Light Co.	158 40	
J. J. Gibbs, sundries	90	
Staples & Gould, labor and supplies	90 84	
Hopedale Coal & Ice Co., coal	350 00	
T. J. Murphy, repairing windows	7 65	
Howes & Howes, sundries	3 52	
J. M. French & Son, carting ashes	3 83	
Balance unexpended	429 45	
	$2,004 00	$2,004 00

ALTERATION ON TOWN HALL BUILDING.

By appropriation		$800 00
To Dillon Bros., labor	$256 80	
Robert Allen Cook, professional services	75 00	
O. L. Story Scenic Co., asbestos curtain	215 00	
G. W. & F. Smith Iron Co., fire escape	225 00	
Balance unexpended	28 20	
	$800 00	$800 00

SUMMARY.

DEPARTMENT.	Appropriations.	Due from State.	Cash Received.	Totals.	Expended.	Unexpended Balance.	Exceeded Appropriations.
Incidental,	$ 3,000 00		$ 32 44	$ 3,032 44	$ 3,046 99		$ 14 55
Street lights,	3,600 00			3,600 00	3,465 88	134 12	
State aid,	726 00	$726		726 00	726 00		
Water for fires,	2,250 00			2,250 00	2,250 00		
Memorial Day,	50 00			50 00	50 00		
Interest,	300 00		484 47	784 47	247 24	537 23	
State and County Taxes,	13,000 00			13,000 00	15,250 00		2,250 00
Tree Warden,	500 00		42 50	542 50	550 14		7 64
Town Hall,	500 00		1,504 00	2,004 00	1,574 55	429 45	
Alteration on the Town Hall building,	800 00			800 00	771 80	28 20	
Board of Health,	300 00			300 00	174 61	125 39	
Totals,		$726	$2,063 41	$ 27,089 41	$28,107 21	$1,254 39	$ 2,272 19

APPRAISEMENT OF TOWN PROPERTY, JANUARY 1, 1909.

Town House	$35,000 00
Town House, lot	1,000 00
Town House, store fixtures	450 00
Town House, post-office equipment	1,000 00
Schoolhouse, Hopedale street	10,000 00
Land, ½ acre	600 00
Schoolhouse, South Hopedale	1,500 00
Land, 1 acre	300 00

Schoolhouse, Dutcher street	$35,000 00
Land, 1 acre	1,200 00
High school building	25,000 00
Land, 3 acres	1,000 00
Public library	5,000 00
Bancroft Memorial library	30,000 00
Mrs. Susan Preston Draper fountain	15,000 00
Library lot	1,000 00
Town Park property	
Band stand	800 00
Bath house	1,000 00
Tool house	200 00
Darling Hill shelter	300 00
Land, 180 acres	20,000 00
Pest house and lot	600 00
Town pound	100 00
Fire department property	
Hose house	6,000 00
Hose house lot	1,000 00
Police equipment	30 00
	$193,080 00

HIGHWAY PROPERTY.

Stone crusher and engine	$ 500 00
Road scraper	25 00
Three snow plows	40 00
Small tools	80 00
2 watering carts	350 00
Eleven stand pipes	170 00
Road roller	80 00
Buildings	600 00
1-horse tip cart	50 00
250 tons trap rock	300 00
150 yards of gravel	127 50
2000 yards rough stone for crusher	1,200 00
20 barrels oil	64 00
	$3,586 50

APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN FOR 1909.

Memorial Day	$ 50 00
Incidentals	3,000 00
Interest	400 00
Street lights	3,600 00
Water for fire purposes	2,250 00
State and county taxes	16,500 00
Town Hall	500 00
Support of the poor	800 00
Tree warden	500 00
Board of health	300 00
	$27,850 00

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL
S. E. KELLOGG,
Selectmen.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

For the Year Ending December 31, 1908.

By appropriation		$800 00
To Town of Milford, account Bridget Gaffney	$101 60	
Town of Milford, account Curtis Claflin	208 00	
Milford Hospital, account Ansel Rockwell	4 50	
J. M. French & Son, account Ansel Rockwell	75	
Dr. H. L. Keith, account Ansel Rockwell	2 50	
Dr. G. F. Curley, account Ansel Rockwell	2 50	
J. J. O'Neil account Ansel Rockwell	2 00	
Massachusetts Hospital, account George W. Horton	14 86	
Balance unexpended	463 29	
	$800 00	$800 00

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
S. E. KELLOGG,
Overseers of the Poor.

REPORT OF FENCE VIEWERS

For the Year Ending December 31, 1908.

No complaints.

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
S. E. KELLOGG,
Fence Viewers.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

For the Year Ending December 31, 1908.

There were 2 cases of typhoid fever, 7 cases of scarlet fever, and 3 cases of diphtheria, all of which received attention.

By appropriation		$300 00
To George T. Hall, account quarantine	$44 00	
George G. Greenwood, account quartine	38 00	
Archie Miller, account quarantine	57 00	
Alfred Cote, account quarantine	9 90	
W. R. Stearns, labor spraying account mosquitoes	4 80	
Eugene Southwick, labor spraying account mosquitoes	1 75	
Draper Co., sundries	8 36	
H. D. Bowker, rubber boots	3 00	
J. M. French & Son, carting oil	2 80	
J. M. French, fumigating	5 00	
Balance unexpended	125 39	
	$300 00	$300 00

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
S. E. KELLOGG,
Board of Health.

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN.

For the Year Ending December 31, 1908.

By appropriation		$500 00
Draper Co., stock and labor spraying trees		35 45
H. W. Bracken, stock and labor spraying trees		1 77
E. D. Bancroft, stock and labor spraying trees		2 45
O. B. Young, stock and labor spraying trees		2 83
To Draper Co., empty oil barrel	$ 75	
Town of Hopedale, highway department, labor on trees	173 83	
Clark Ellis & Sons, lead and spraying apparatus	90 57	
H. T. Heredeen, labor, etc	11 00	
H. L. Frost & Co., pruning trees	273 99	
Balance overdrawn		7 64
	$550 14	$550 14

J. B. BANCROFT,
Tree Warden.

Report of the Sealer of Weights and Measures For the Year Ending December 31, 1908.

I have tested and sealed the following scales, weights and measures:

9 Platform scales over 5000 lbs.
56 Platform scales under 5000 lbs.
5 Computing scales.
19 other scales.
357 Weights.
20 Dry measures.
34 Wet measures.
3 Yard sticks.
616 Milk and cream jars.

I have also condemned the following scales, measures and jars:—

6 Platform scales.
3 Spring scales.
4 Dry measures.
8 Wet measures.
261 Milk and cream jars.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES W. WHEELER,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Report of Inspector of Animals.

South Milford, Dec. 31, 1908.

To the Board of Selectmen of Hopedale:—

Gentlemen:—I submit to you my report for the year as inspector: A general inspection of all cattle and swine and the premises where the same were kept was made during the year 1908, and a written report of the condition of each barn and stable was sent to the state board of cattle commissioners.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK GASKILL,

Inspector of Animals.

REPORT OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS,

For the Year Ending December 31, 1908.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation		$ 5,500 00
Material sold		151 52
Work for outside parties (labor and material)		1,445 35
Street railway tax returned by state		24 22
Street railway tax returned by tax collector		229 94
Rent of hose house		40 00
To labor	$ 5,076 69	
Material	1,335 45	
Henry L. Patrick	35	
Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection & Insurance Co.	42 50	
G. C. Eastman	2 00	
The Forbes Company	4 00	
W. D. Stearns	1 00	
Arthur R. Stone	4 00	
D. Van Nostrand Co.	1 50	
Clark Ellis & Sons	56 34	
John M. MacLauchlan	50 00	
H. T. Heredeen	2 40	
Milford Water Co.	3 00	
Draper Company	3 60	
Hopedale Coal & Ice Company	72 85	
Balance unexpended	735 35	
	$ 7,391 03	$ 7,391 03

SIDEWALKS.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation		$ 500 00
Charges on new sidewalks		173 34
To labor	$250 84	
Material	241 10	
Hopedale Coal & Ice Co.	124 31	
A. B. Black	49 50	
Balance unexpended	7 59	
	$ 673 34	$ 673 34

STREET WATERING.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation		$ 1,450 00
Cenedella & Co., for use of cart		45 00
To running cart	$ 849 83	
Milford Water Co. (water)	495 18	
H. T. Heredeen	18 00	
J. F. Damon	5 20	
C. Callahan Co.	32 73	
Arthur R. Stone	70 00	
Milford Water Co.	13 50	
Balance unexpended	10 56	
	$ 1,495 00	$ 1,495 00

NORTHROP STREET.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation		$ 10,000 00
To Cenedella & Co.	$12,142 15	
Milford Iron Foundry	54 75	
Milford Water Co.	7 00	
G. C. Eastman	60	
Draper Company	303 59	
Clark Ellis & Sons	59 28	
G. A. Crockett	2 10	
Account overdrawn		2,569 47
	$ 12,569 47	$ 12,569 47

WEST MAIN STREET.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation		$10,000 00
To Draper Company	$ 17 08	
Henry W. Gaskill	33 00	
Cenedella & Co.	2 45	
Unexpended Balance	9,947 47	
	$ 10,000 00	$ 10,000 00

WEST MAIN STREET SEWERS.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation		$ 4,000 00
To Cenedella & Co.	$3,566 43	
Draper Co.	48 71	
Milford Iron Foundry	50 12	
Town of Milford	2,000 00	
Account overdrawn		1,665 26
	$ 5,665 26	$ 5,665 26

SUMMARY.

DEPARTMENTS.	Appropriations.	Credits for Outside Work, etc.	Total Credits.	Amount Expended.	Unexpended Balance.	Exceeded Appropriations.
General Repairs	$5,5000 00	$1,891 03	$7,391 03	$6,655 68	$ 735 35	$
Sidewalks	500 00	173 34	673 34	665 75	7 59	
Street Watering	1,450 00	45 00	1,495 00	1,484 44	10 56	
Northrop Street	10,000 00		10,000 00	12,569 47		2,569 47
West Main street	10,000 00		10,000 00	52 53	9,947 47	
West Main St. Sewers	4,000 00		4,000 00	5,665 26		1,665 26
Totals,	$31,450 00	$2,109 37	$33,559 37	$27,093 13	$10,700 97	$4,234 73

CHARLES E. PIERCE,
GEORGE A. DRAPER,
CLARE H. DRAPER,

Road Commissioners.

BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

Report of the Board of Engineers of the Hopedale Fire Department for the Year Ending December 31, 1908.

PROPERTY.

One hose house	$ 6,000 00
Land	1,000 00
One hose wagon	225 00
One hose wagon	75 00
One hook and ladder truck	160 00
4,500 ft. hose (4000 ft. in good condition, 500 ft. unreliable)	1,000 00
Arrow gun and fire escape	10 00
Fire alarm telegraph, complete	2,100 00
Electric chemical and equipments	3,000 00
Harnesses, shovels, etc.	20 00
	$13,590 00

ENGINEERS.

S. E. Kellogg, Chief, C. E. Pierce, Assistant Chief.

J. B. Chapin, Clerk.

MEMBERS.

Hose 2.

F. G. Crockett, Capt.
M. J. Higgiston, Ist Lieutenant.
P. J. Manuel, 2nd Lieutenant.
C. W. Wheeler, Clerk.
Fred Farrington.
T. H. Gaffney.

Hose 3.

W. N. Draper, Capt.
W. E. Whitney, 1st Lieutenant.
F. L. Arnold, 2nd Lieutenant.
F. W. Nichols, Clerk.
H. P. Crawford.
W. F. Durgin.
W. E. Taylor.
T. H. Craddock.
A. E. Weeks.
F. C. Warren.
J. A. Miller.
J. L. Quimby.
W. L. Lowell.

PAY OF MEMBERS, INCIDENTALS, ETC.

By appropriation	$1,875 00	
Work done for Howe Engine Co.	137 44	
Sale of stove	5 00	
Amount overdrawn	44 07	
		$ 2,061 51
To pay of chief	$73 00	
Pay of assistant engineers	121 00	
Robert Ross, fire police	20 00	
John L. Adams, electrician	120 00	
Chas. H. Bagley, steward	75 00	
Pay of Hose Co. No. 2	185 00	
Pay of Hose Co. No. 3	369 00	
E. S. Stimpson, poll tax of department	43 12	
Hopedale Coal & Ice Co., man at barn	329 50	
Hopedale Coal & Ice Co., fuel	91 73	
Hopedale Coal & Ice Co., teams to fires	21 50	
Milford Water Co., water	11 00	
Milford Gas Light Co., gas	14 63	
Milford Electric Light & Power Co., electricity	57 57	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., rent of telephones	40 96	
Highway department, rent of Hose No. 2 house	40 00	
The Forbes Co., stamps and envelopes	1 40	
E. D. Bancroft, Treas., telegram	1 07	
Chas. H. Bagley, labor on batteries	4 50	

Ralph C. Claflin, labor on batteries..	5 10	
Bawldwin Chain & Mfg. Co., sprockets	6 45	
Brewer & Co., blue rock.....	53 44	
Henry K. Barnes, repairs on gate....	2 50	
Draper Co., labor and material.....	106 72	
Edes Mfg. Co., zincs and coppers....	64 27	
Dodge Motor Vehicle Co., expert....	6 95	
Frank H. French, labor on motors...	30 00	
The Gamewell Fire Alarm Tel. Co., switch	2 21	
J. M. French & Son, team to fires....	9 00	
Nelson L. Huff, brushes for motors..	72	
H. T. Heredeen, labor on wagon No. 2	40	
S. E. Kellogg, labor on batteries.....	22 00	
H. L. Patrick, soda and merchandise.	6 62	
F. B. Sweet, postage.....	78	
Staples & Gould, gas fixture.....	50	
W. C. Tewksbury, changing fire alarm wires and supplies.....	106 07	
E. Wilson, repairs on wagon No. 2...	1 00	
C. W. Wheeler, supplies, Hose Co. No. 2.....	2 69	
Sherborne-Coughlin Express, express.	1 10	
J. J. Gibbs, sponge.....	35	
Davoren's Express, freight and carting	12 66	
		2,061 51

HOSE.

By appropriation.....		$200 00
To Brewer & Co., 350 ft. fire hose and Boston play pipe.....		200 00

OVERCOATS.

By appropriation.....		$ 110 00
To A. H. Finley, 23 overcoats.....	$108 23	
Balance unexpended.....	1 77	
		110 00

STEAM GONG FOR FIRE ALARM.

By appropriation		$ 500 00	
To The Gamewell Fire Alarm Tel. Co.,			
One 8-in. chime whistle, valve, machine, weights and man to set up same	407 20		
Davoren's Express	75		
Sherborne-Coughlin Express, express	50		
W. J. McMillan, wiring	5 50		
G. & U. R. R., freight	1 31		
Crosby Steam Gauge & Valve Co., exchange of whistle to 10 inch	40 10		
W. C. Tewksbury, wire and supplies	28 62		
Draper Co., supplies	3 68		
Balance unexpended	12 34		
			500 00

BRUSH FIRES.

By appropriation		$ 100 00	
To J. B. Chapin, money expended	$30 89		
W. F. Durgin, money expended	60		
Hale Watson, money expended	8 77		
A. A. Westcott, money expended	5 75		
Hopedale Coal & Ice Co., teams	9 00		
J. M. French & Son, teams	1 50		
J. J. Gibbs, glass jars and stoppers	1 75		
Wright & Potter Printing Co., permits	63		
Balance unexpended	41 11		
			100 00

ADDITION AND REMODELLING HOSE HOUSE.

By appropriation		$ 6,300 00
To Harvey E. Trask, contract and extra labor	$4,248 00	
J. B. Bancroft, land	500 00	
W. C. Tewksbury, electric lighting	210 00	
Staples & Gould, heating and extra work	560 85	

Robert Allen Cook, plans and superintending	258 00	
Clark Ellis & Sons, springs, bolts, etc., for doors and supplies	156 00	
Avery & Woodbury, furnishings	152 64	
G. E. Stimpson & Co., furnishings	33 29	
E. M. Crockett, extra painting	20 00	
H. E. Brown, changing fire alarms	12 00	
Draper Co., surveys, etc	8 46	
Daniel Kent, Register, recording deed	87	
A. P. Clarridge, resetting curbing	10 00	
Balance unexpended	129 89	
		6,300 00

SUMMARY.

By general appropriation		$ 1,875 00
New hose		200 00
Brush fires		100 00
Overcoats		110 00
Steam gong		500 00
Addition and remodelling hose house		6,300 00
Work done for Howe Engine Co.		137 44
Sale of stove		5 00
To pay of members	$1,006 12	
Incidentals	1,055 39	
New hose	200 00	
Brush fires	58 89	
Overcoats	108 23	
Steam gong	487 66	
Addition and remodelling hose house	6,170 11	
Net balance unexpended	141 04	
	$9,227 44	$9,227 44

LOCATION OF BOXES.

Box 25.—Draper Co. yard.

Box 26.—Hopedale street, on hose house.

Box 32.—Dutcher street, corner Dennett street.

Box 35.—Union street, near Prospect street.
Box 38.—Dutcher street, corner Freedom street.
Box 42.—Bancroft park, west side.
Box 45.—Freedom street, west of dam.
Box 46.—Hope street, near Hopedale Coal & Ice Co. office.
Box 53.—Corner Adin and Hopedale streets.
Box 57.—Adin street, near residence of E. S. Draper.
Box 59.—West Main street, near turnout.
Box 62.—West Main street, corner Hopedale street.
Box 64.—Westcott's mill, Spindleville.
School signal, near Draper Co. office.

RECORD OF FIRES.

April 15, Box 62.—Fire on roof of H. T. Heredeen's blacksmith shop.

May 7, Box 26.—Fire on roof of tenement on Hopedale street owned by Draper Co.

July 7, Box 62.—Fire on roof of H. T. Heredeen's blacksmith shop.

The department has extinguished several small fires on still alarms.

The forest wards have extinguished a number of brush fires, for which no alarms were rung.

Considering the fact that the batteries on chemical wagon are about worn out, it is probable that new plates will have to be put in during the coming year.

All the equipments of the department are in good working order.

For 1909 we would recommend the following appropriations:—

General appropriation	$2,175 00
Brush fires	100 00
New hose	200 00

S. E. KELLOGG,
C. E. PIERCE,
J. B. CHAPIN,
Board of Engineers.

ASSESSORS' REPORT

For the Year Ending December 31, 1908.

Valuation of real estate, excluding land		$1,261,659 00
Valuation of real estate, excluding buildings		249,235 00
Total valuation of real estate		$1,510,894 00
Total valuation of personal estate		3,687,688 00
Total valuation		$5,198,582 00
Tax rate per 1,000		9 00
Tax on property		46,787 23
Number of polls taxed	681	
Tax on each	$2 00	
Tax on polls		1,362 00
Total amount raised by taxation		$48,149 23
Bank tax for 1908		12,546 58
Corporation tax, 1908		13,669 92
Street railway tax, 1908		254 16
Available tax		$74,619 89

Number of persons assessed	764
Number of persons assessed on property	246
Number of persons assessed on poll tax only	518
Number of polls assessed	681
Number of horses assessed	122
Number of cows assessed	98
Number of sheep assessed	2
Number of neat cattle assessed	6
Number of swine assessed	8

Number of dwelling houses..... 374
Acres of land assessed..... 2785 acres 76 rods.
Population 1,925

WILLIAM BANCROFT,
H. W. BRACKEN,
W. S. HAGUE,
Board of Assessors.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

	Dr.	Cr.
1904.		
To uncollected taxes	$3 00	
By taxes abated		$2 00
Uncollected taxes		1 00
	$3 00	$3 00
1905.		
To uncollected taxes	$134 48	
By taxes abated		$36 00
Uncollected taxes		98 48
	$134 48	$134 48
1906.		
To uncollected taxes	$181 05	
By taxes abated		$ 56 00
Uncollected taxes		125 05
	$181 05	$181 05
1907.		
To uncollected taxes	$406 08	
Interest	1 78	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, Treas.		$ 66 84
Taxes abated		76 24
Uncollected taxes		264 78
	$407 86	$407 86

1908.

To taxes committed for collection.....	$48,114 93	
Interest	48	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, Treas....		$46,834 36
Discount		933 35
Taxes abated.....		2 25
Uncollected taxes.....		345 45
	$48,115 41	$48,115 41

1908.

M., A. & W. Street Railway Co., excise tax	$ 58 92	
Milford & Uxbridge Street Railway Co.	171 02	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, Treas....		$229 94
	$229 94	$229 94

EDWARD S. STIMPSON,

Collector.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

The disbursements of the town of Hopedale through its several departments for the year 1908 are covered by receipts and receipted bills for correct amounts. The treasurer's books show a correct balance between income and expenditure.

Respectfully submitted,

ADIN A. MESSINGER,

Auditor.

TENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

PARK COMMISSIONERS

OF THE

TOWN OF HOPEDALE,

MASSACHUSETTS.

1908.

PARK COMMISSIONERS.

GEORGE OTIS DRAPER,	Term expires 1911.
CHARLES F. ROPER,	" " 1910.
FRANK J. DUTCHER,	" " 1909.

REPORT.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Available for Use of Park Department.

General appropriation	$ 2,500 00
Wood sold	234 25
Labor	3 00
Shrubs	4 50
Rent of bath house lockers	5 00

Orders Drawn on the Town Treasurer.

Plans and surveys:—	
Warren H. Manning	$31 16
Henry W. Gaskill	29 00
Grading and seeding:—	
Clark Ellis & Sons	4 00
C. B. Merrill & Co., clay for tennis court	15 88
J. M. French & Son, loam, etc.	51 75
Fertilizer:—	
Clark Ellis & Sons	50 50
J. F. Haskell	6 00
Bath house:—	
J. H. Sherman & Son, labor and materials	82 87
Milford Water Co., water piping	138 10
Z. C. Field, lumber	7 85
J. M. French & Son, teaming	8 00
Draper Co., labor and material	6 19

Trees and shrubs:—	
C. B. Merrill & Co.	$47 25
Roads and paths:—	
Highway department, labor and gravel	49 25
Pay roll:—	
E. D. Bancroft, treasurer	1,457 28
Tools:—	
Clark Ellis & Sons	15 83
Incidentals:—	
Clark Ellis & Sons, sundries	12 94
Draper Co., labor and materials	16 33
H. T. Heredeen, sundries	7 55
H. L. Frost & Co., spraying	4 94
Nelson L. Huff, sharpening lawn mowers	2 00
Mass. Fish & Game Prot. Ass'n	5 00
H. L. Patrick, sundries	1 95
Howes & Howes, bird feed	26 43
John L. Mead, bird feed	5 30
G. M. Billings, printing	10 00
Cenedella Bros., blasting in pond	15 09
John F. Powers, teaming	60 75
Frost Insecticide Co., scale destroyer	5 00
James E. Wallace, sawing wood	32 90
Wright & Ditson, supplies	15 30
J. M. French & Son, mowing	40 85
J. F. Haskell, teaming	15 75
H. D. Bowker, rubber boots	4 00
Dillon Bros., repairing tool house	89 47
Woodbury & Co., half tone	1 75
W. C. Tewksbury, electrical work	5 50
Milford Water Co., water	19 00
Milford Water Co., piping for play ground	31 09

Darling Hill, seats and shelter:—		
Dillon Bros.....	$311 48	
Balance unexpended.....	5 47	
	$2,746 75	$2,746 75

ADIN STREET LOT.

Balance on hand from 1907.....	$19 77
Interest, 1908.....	75 00

Orders Drawn on the Town Treasurer.

Clark Ellis & Sons, fertilizer.....	$13 00	
J. M. French & Son, mowing.....	16 70	
H. L. Frost & Co., spraying.....	6 23	
Draper Company, labor.....	13 51	
Pay roll.....	42 00	
Balance unexpended to 1909 account...	3 33	
	$94 77	$94 77

The Park Commissioners submit herewith their tenth annual report for the year ending December 31, 1908.

During the past year the playground, bath house and various other public utilities were patronized more than ever before; possibly in view of the business depression, and the fact that large numbers of people were employed on short time.

The bath house shows a record of 6,370 baths, as against 4,768 the previous year. This is by far the largest record since the bath house was opened; 750 of these were women and girls, and 5,620 were men and boys. The largest number of men and boys in one day, 133; women and girls, 48.

In view of the large number coming to the bath house at one time on hot days, and of the fact that the lockers have not all been rented, the Park Commissioners had four of the lockers

removed and four new dressing rooms added, thereby materially increasing the effectiveness of the bath house. It was difficult on some hot days to make parties realize that it was not the duty of the Town to provide a bath house large enough to take care of the entire township at one time.

We were obliged to replace the water supply pipe at the bath house, as the drinking water through the long iron pipe was so thoroughly impregnated with oxide of iron that it developed into an iron tonic, rather than plain drinking water.

The tool house, which was given the park department by the Draper Company some two years ago, was reshingled and repaired, and is now in good condition.

Feed for the game birds, as well as song birds, has been distributed through the winter by the Park superintendent, and this has done much to preserve them on our premises, as well as to save them from starving under severe conditions after heavy storms.

The planks for use during the winter for skaters and others are kept in order, and where available, and have again saved at least one life by being provided.

Danger signs for use in the skating season have been furnished by the Park Department, but the Park Commissioners wish it distinctly understood that the town assumes no responsibility whatever as to safety, and that in view of the ice cutting and other conditions, skaters and others using the pond during the winter should observe at least reasonable care.

The Adin street lot has been kept up, and the expense on this, as well as the credit, is shown in an account entirely distinct from the regular Park expenses.

We have continued to give attention to the mosquito problem in the way of eliminating the breeding spots.

The eighth annual field day of the Draper Company employees was held August 15th, and as usual was well conducted, and a great success in every way. It was estimated that nearly or quite 3,000 people attended.

In view of the large number of people using the paths through the Park territory about the pond, seats with a shelter in connection were built at the summit of our Darling Hill territory.

We recommend an appropriation of $2,500 the coming year.

CHARLES F. ROPER,
GEORGE OTIS DRAPER,
FRANK J. DUTCHER,

Park Commissioners.

HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING, DECEMBER, 1908.

Twenty-third Annual Report

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF HOPEDALE,

MASSACHUSETTS.

1908.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

HOWARD W. BRACKEN, Chairman..... 1909
FRANK J. DUTCHER, Secretary..... 1910
HARRIET B. SORNBORGER..... 1911

F. G. ATWELL, Superintendent.

[Office hours: Dutcher street building, Thursdays, 3 to 5.]

TRUANT OFFICERS.

F. G. ATWELL, WARREN F. GASKILL
H. B. LEONARD, C. C. DOWNING.

AUTHORIZED TO SIGN CERTIFICATES FOR CHILDREN BETWEEN THE AGES OF 14 AND 16.

F. G. ATWELL.

REPORT.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Available for Use of School Department.

General Appropriation	$14,600 00
Supplies and materials sold	17 45
Tuition	43 00

Orders Drawn on the Town Treasurer.

Teaching:—	
Hopedale, including high school	$8,137 00
South Hopedale	615 20
Care of Buildings:—	
Hopedale	1,196 38
South Hopedale	42 00
Fuel:—	
Hopedale	1,458 03
South Hopedale	29 50
Text books and supplies	635 62
Supervision:—	
Herbert F. Taylor	546 64
F. G. Atwell	127 50
Improvements:—	
Hopedale:	
Draper Company	1 50
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, furniture	40 20
South Hopedale:	
Robert Allen Cook, plans	25 00

Repairs:—	
Hopedale:	
Draper Co., boiler repairs.....	$90 48
Draper Co., small repairs.....	38 70
Dillon Bros., carpentry.....	83 26
C. C. Minsch & Co., refinishing doors	14 32
C. Stewart & Son, repairs on boiler.	14 10
Highway Dept., labor and material	20 15
Eldredge & Son, setting glass.....	3 00
H. H. Lent, carpentry.....	85 84
Clark Ellis & Sons, supplies.....	62 65
T. E. Morse Co., painting.....	200 00
Geo. Lawley & Son Corpn., flagpole	48 00
South Hopedale:	
Clark Ellis & Sons, labor and material	9 48
Transportation:—	
Milford & Uxbridge St. Ry. Co.....	167 00
Milford, Woonsocket & Attleboro St. Ry. Co.....	109 12
School physician:—	
Dr. M. W. Knight.....	18 50
Incidentals:—	
Warren F. Kneeland, rubber stamps..	15
J. J. Gibbs, chemicals.....	17 05
Draper Company, supplies.....	94 83
Clark Ellis & Sons, fertilizer, hardware and supplies.....	80 04
Milford Water Company, water.....	62 58
Milford Daily News, advertising.....	3 00
Milford Journal Co., advertising....	3 00
Milford Gas Light Co., gas.....	16 00
H. F. Taylor, traveling, etc.....	93 55
N. L. Huff, sharpening lawn mowers.	2 00
H. E. Brown, electrical work.....	25 18
G. M. Billings, printing.....	27 75
Geo. W. Green, brushes.....	40 80

Greene Bros., cleaning carpets.....	$ 72	
Avery & Woodbury Co., shades, etc...	4 70	
S. B. Lyon, tuning pianos.....	26 00	
Town of Hopedale, rent of Town Hall, etc.....	11 00	
Park department, shrubs.....	4 50	
Miss Georgiena Bailey, supplies.....	3 00	
J. J. Galloway, Agt., freight and express	6 83	
F. W. Martin, filling diplomas.....	2 00	
Gilbert & Barker Mfg. Co., gas supplies	118 27	
Z. C. Field, whitewood.....	1 00	
S. A. Eastman, supplies.....	2 00	
Howes & Howes, supplies.....	14 42	
L. C. Smith, Typewriter Co., supplies	3 00	
E. E. Babb & Co., supplies.....	13 90	
H. L. Frost & Co., spraying trees....	4 34	
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, supplies....	60 35	
Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection & Insurance Co., insurance.....	33 94	
Woodbury & Co., Inc., supplies.....	8 55	
Hopedale Coal & Ice Co., teaming...	29 63	
J. M. French & Son, teaming.....	11 71	
Davoren's Express, carting.....	1 00	
E. F. Lilley, repairing clocks.....	3 50	
Balance unexpended.....	10 99	
	$14,660 45	$14,660 45

The past year has been an important one in the School Department in many respects.

A few changes were made at the end of the Spring term in our teaching force. Mr. John K. Fenner was elected Principal of the High school in place of Mr. Thomas H. Kenworthy, who had resigned; Miss J. Angelina Smith returned after a year's absence to take charge of the two Grammar School buildings; Mrs. Edna S. Clark was elected to take charge of the Kindergarten in

place of Miss Bertha M. Bennett, who resigned; and in view of the largely increased number at the South Hopedale school Miss Lila B. Leach was engaged to act as assistant to Miss Euphemia K. Potts.

Mr. Herbert F. Taylor, who had served us as Superintendent for about six years, resigned to accept an opening in a single town where he made an advance professionally, and Mr. F. G. Atwell of Baldwinville, Mass., was unanimously elected by the joint committee to fill the vacancy for the balance of the year. Mr. Atwell has had successful experience and the schools under his management are making good progress. We call special attention of the tax payers to the suggestions in his report.

The most important expenditure of the year has been in connection with the addition to the High school building. The separate report of the building committee will show the details of the expense involved. The school was given temporary quarters for two months through courtesy of the Draper Company in the Park House, and was able to move into the new building the last of October. As far as we can judge, the present accommodations are satisfactory and will meet the requirements of the town for some years, allowing for natural growth. In this addition to the High school building, provision has been made in the basement for manual training in case the town should decide to have such work added to the school course.

We recommend for the coming year an appropriation of $15,000 to cover all usual school expenses, and an additional appropriation of $1,000 in case it is thought best to add manual training for the boys.

HOWARD W. BRACKEN,
HARRIET B. SORNBORGER,
FRANK J. DUTCHER.
School Committee.

REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE.

On recommendation of the School Committee at the March meeting, 1908, it was voted to add to the present High school building in accordance with plans which had been prepared by Mr. Robert Allen Cook, Architect. An appropriation of $22,000 was made to cover the addition together with proposed sewer, and also such additional furniture as might be needed for the building. A special committee composed of the Board of Selectmen and the Board of School Committee was given full charge and bids were obtained as soon as practicable on completion of the working plans and specifications. When these bids came in, it developed that the lowest figure was quite a large amount in excess of the estimate which had been prepared for the school committee, and on basis of which the appropriation had been made. Reductions were made as far as practicable in certain directions, and contracts were then placed with the lowest bidders. The details of the expenses are shown herewith in the list of items.

The general outside construction followed the lines of the old building and the committee feel that the appearance of the building is improved by the addition.

Work was commenced by the contractors before the end of the Spring term in June and was completed the last of October. We feel that great credit is due to the various contractors and architect that we were able to have the building turned over to us and the school moved back in so short a time.

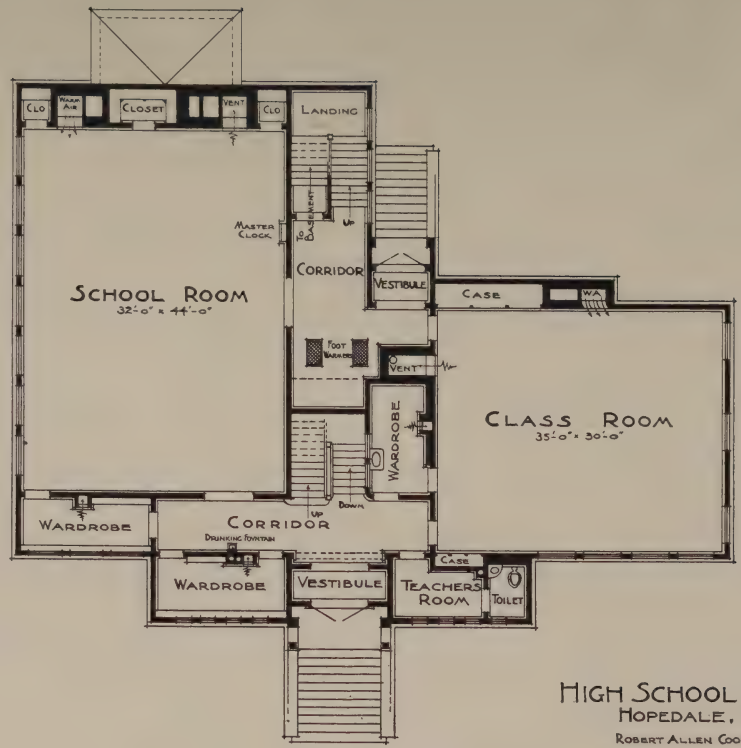
EDWIN A. DARLING,
LEWIS B. GASKILL,
SAMUEL E. KELLOGG,
HOWARD W. BRACKEN,
HARRIET B. SORNBORGER,
FRANK J. DUTCHER,
Committee.

HIGH SCHOOL ADDITION.

Appropriation		$22,000 00
ORDERS DRAWN ON TOWN TREASURER.		
Dillon Bros., labor and material	$14,800 44	
Draper Co., labor on sewer and grading	1,411 17	
Alexander Duncan & Co., heating and Ventilating	3,112 00	
Grafton & Upton R. R., freight and express	30 07	
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co., furniture	555 66	
Metcalf & Eddy, engineering	61 00	
Robert Allen Cook, plans, etc	700 00	
Blodgett Clock Co., clocks	343 25	
Boston Lightning Rod Co., lightning rods	200 00	
Milford Water Co., water pipe	65 98	
Gilbert & Barker Manufacturing Co., Gas Plant	725 18	
Avery & Woodbury Co., shades	106 66	
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, furniture	74 24	
E. E. Babb & Co., furniture	13 00	
Powers Regulator Co., heat regulators	280 00	
Clark Ellis & Sons, plumbing, etc	335 57	
E. H. Tarbell Co., gas fixtures	145 80	
J. L. Hammett Co., furniture	10 75	
Highway department, trap rock	3 39	
Davoren's Express, carting	2 15	
Amount overdrawn		976 31
	$22,976 31	$22,976 31

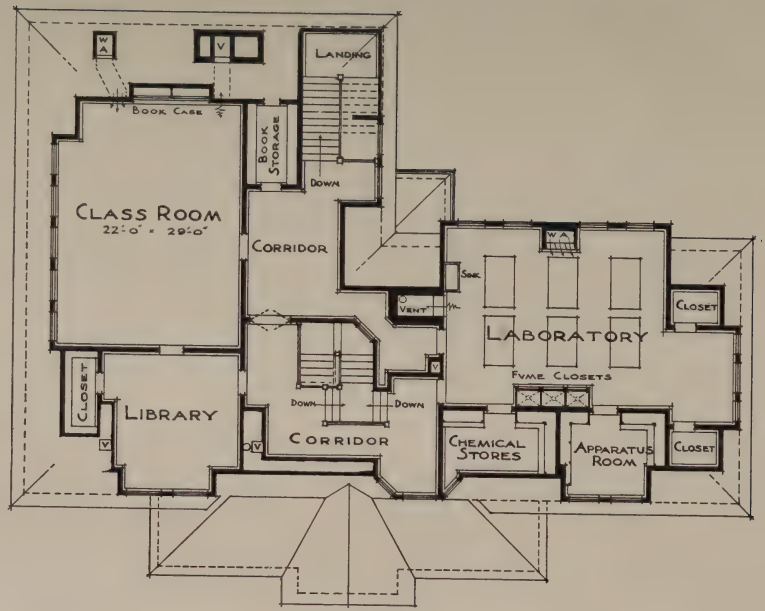
HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING
HOPEDALE, MASS.
ROBERT ALLEN COOK ARCHITECT

BASEMENT



HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING
HOPEDALE, MASS.
ROBERT ALLEN COOK ARCHITECT

FIRST FLOOR



High School Building
Hopedale Mass
Robert Allen Cook Architect

Second Floor

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the School Committee of Hopedale:—

The fifteenth annual report of the superintendent of schools is herewith presented.

An acquaintance of only a few weeks with your schools does not justify so positive statements nor so strenuous recommendations as might be permissible under other circumstances.

The first definite impression I received of your schools, after noting your fine, well-kept buildings and grounds, was the happy, healthy condition of the children. The primary cause of this physical well-being will undoubtedly be found in the character of the homes, but the abundant provision which the town has made for free outdoor play and supervised bathing and sports must also have exerted a potent influence. Very few towns are doing so much for its young people or offering so many advantages as Hopedale.

It seems to be a common desire of American parents to make the pathway of their children smooth and easy and joyous. This is all beautiful, and it is commendable, provided the fundamental laws of child growth and development are not overlooked. Ever since the parable of the talents was spoken every opportunity has carried with it a corresponding obligation, first to appreciate and then to make the wisest possible use of it. It is a law of nature that strength of body or mind comes only through exercise. There is nothing vicarious about it. No effort of teacher, parent, or municipality can take the place of individual exertion. There is no help like self-help.

The high school building as remodeled and enlarged is well adapted to the purposes for which it is designed. The new course of study contains all the subjects usually offered in a college preparatory course and in an English or general course, besides music,

drawing, and several commercial subjects. In order to cover all of these subjects in a satisfactory manner the teaching force should be increased. There is room in the building for the introduction of cooking for the girls and bench work for the boys, and this suggests the whole subject of industrial training for consideration.

Industrial training controlled by the scholastic spirit and methods does not seem to me to promise very much. But if the industrial spirit can in some way be introduced into our present scholastic work, it will be the best possible preparation for industrial training of real value later.

There is a certain amount of knowledge, mental discipline, and character development which is essential to all right living, and the first duty of the public schools is to supply these fundamentals in order to make of every child a safe and desirable citizen. This training constitutes the minimum preparation for his existence as a moral and intellectual being.

There is another kind of training which relates more directly to the material side of life. Every child should be given an elementary knowledge of materials, tools, and processes. He should acquire a certain muscular discipline and industrial common sense which are necessary to all forms of manual labor whether skilled or unskilled. The public schools should make provision for such elementary, non-specialized industrial training as will prepare the student for apprenticeship or for a vocational school.

Trade or vocational schools in which the child may learn to make shoes or cloth or machinery and technical schools in which he may learn to oversee and direct the making of any of these, are for the present far outside the scope of the public schools, at least, in the smaller towns.

It is the introduction of elementary, non-specialized industrial training which I wish to recommend at this time. I would like to see something introduced which will take advantage of the interests and aptitudes of each child; something which will compel teachers to regard the child's training for life from the industrial view-point and in the industrial spirit as well as the scholastic; something which will unite the home and the school in the common duty of preparing the child to make a living and a life.

The home garden in distinction from the school garden fur-

nishes the suggestion and contains the principle which I have in mind. To the home garden a great number of home industries might be added. Poultry raising would be practicable for some boys, furnishing many an opportunity for reading, construction, bookkeeping, and business management. Carpentry, photography, typewriting, and various forms of collecting might be added to the list. Among the subjects especially adapted to girls are cooking, sewing, and household economy.

These home industries may be conducted so as to provide much valuable training both industrial and intellectual. They should be under the combined direction of the home and the school. The pupil should give frequent oral and written descriptions of his operations. His accounts and products should be submitted from time to time, and an annual exhibition should be held. Instead of cash prizes for two or three of the most successful, due credit, which ought to count towards promotion, should be given to every exhibitor.

In my opinion the benefits to be derived from a wise correlation of home and school activities are numerous and varied. The interaction between mental and manual development is so strong that the progress of the pupil in his regular school work would be more rapid, and he might easily gain a year's time. The pupil would find in these home industries pleasant, healthful, and profitable occupation, which in some cases would be a great moral protection. The motor-minded child, often unjustly condemned as slow or dull, could here enter into successful and encouraging competition with those bright children who know books only. Home industries under school supervision furnish an opportunity to establish the right relation between facts and acts, learning and doing, theory and practice, to blend the scholastic and the industrial, and to prepare the way for any form of manual or vocational training which may follow.

In closing I wish to express sincere gratitude for the spirit of kindness, cordiality, and helpfulness which I have met on every hand.

Respectfully submitted,

F. G. ATWELL,
Superintendent of Schools.

MUSIC TEACHER'S REPORT.

Mr. F. G. Atwell, Superintendent of Schools:

Dear Sir:—

In my department, it gives me pleasure to report steady progress, as a whole, and a very noticeable improvement in the work of several classes.

The regular teachers have been earnest in their support, and the pupils, with few exceptions, are interested in the study.

The singing of the eighth and ninth grades, under the direction of Miss Rogers, is considered by those competent to judge, unusually good for grammar school pupils.

In the High school, the attention and ability of the scholars are particularly gratifying.

The principal and assistant teachers enter heartily into the spirit of the work, which adds much to the pleasure and interest of the music period.

The High school pupils furnished the entertainment at a recent church affair, and they won many words of praise for their excellent work.

I feel that we are progressing and improving, and I desire to thank the teachers, upon whom the largest share of the teaching falls, for their intelligent co-operation.

LILLIAN E. WOOD,
Supervisor of Music.

DRAWING TEACHER'S REPORT.

Mr. F. G. Atwell, Superintendent of Schools:

Dear Sir:—

Following the general statement I made last year concerning a course in drawing for public schools, it may be well to make this report more specific.

In all grades certain branches of the work receive attention alike: drawing from nature, relative to the seasons; color; object drawing; and design. Emphasis is placed, in the lower grades, upon illustrative drawing and constructive work. For the upper grades much attention is given to the subject of lettering, and my outline includes the working of simple geometric problems.

The plan for the High school carries on the work of the grades in a more advanced way, and aims at a greater degree of perfection in all divisions of the subject. Drawing being required during the first two years, the work is divided systematically, but the last two years it is elective, and more time is given to specializing, as in design and its application to leather and stencils. For the boys of the advanced classes there is a course in mechanical drawing, instrumental drawing being started in the lower classes.

In the South Hopedale school, the general plan is followed as for the grades, with a grouping of classes that seems best for the work in hand.

The pupils in all the schools seem interested and are responsive, and I am pleased with the advance they are making, which is due in no small measure, in the grades, to the efficient help of the teachers.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN LOUISE VARNEY.

REPORT OF TRUANT OFFICER.

HOPEDALE, MASS., Jan. 29, 1909.

MR. F. G. ATWELL, Superintendent of Schools:

Dear Sir:—

Two cases of truancy have required the services of the truant officers the past year.

The laws in regard to the employment of minors have been properly observed by the various manufactories.

WARREN F. GASKILL.

TEACHERS, DECEMBER, 1908.

SCHOOL.	TEACHER.	DATE OF APPOINTMENT.	PREPARATION.
High,			
Principal,	John K. Fenner,	Sept., 1908.	Brown University.
1st Assistant,	Amy P. Morse,	Sept., 1907.	Mt. Holyoke.
2d Assistant,	Helen L. Varney,	Sept., 1907.	Normal Art School.
Dutcher street,			
Principal,	J. Angelina Smith,	Jan., 1900.	Framingham Normal.
Grade 8,	Bertha M. Rogers,	Sept., 1903.	Worcester Normal.
Grade 7,	Mary Forbes,	Sept., 1904.	Nova Scotia Academy.
Grade 6,	Alice Morrison,	Sept., 1904.	Smith College.
Grade 5,	Jane Alden,	Sept., 1907.	Bridgewater Normal.
Grade 4,	Harriet B. Thayer,	Sept., 1907.	Normal Art School.
Grade 3,	Mary A. Billings,	Sept., 1906.	Dean Academy.
Grade 2,	Edith I. Merriam,	Sept., 1905.	Hopedale High School.
Grade 1,	Mabel F. Andrew,	June, 1897.	Wheelock School.
Kindergarten,	Edna S. Clark,	Sept., 1908.	Wheelock School.
Assistant,	Sophia Greenwood,	Sept., 1908.	Hopedale High School.
South Hopedale,	Euphemia K. Potts,	Sept., 1907.	Hebron Academy.
Assistant,	Lila Leach,	Sept., 1908.	Hopedale High School.
Drawing,	Helen L. Varney,	Sept., 1907.	Normal Art School.
Music,	Lilllan E. Wood,	Sept., 1899.	Private Instruction.

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1908-1909.

	FALL TERM.		WINTER TERM.		SPRING TERM.	
	Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.	Opens	Closes.
Lower Schools, 36 weeks.	Sept. 14, 1908	Dec. 18	Jan. 4, '09	Mar. 26 '09	Apr. 12'09	June 18
Grades 7, 8, 9, 38 weeks.	Sept. 8, 1908	Dec. 18	Jan. 4, '09	April 2, '09	Apr. 12'09	June 18
High School, 40 weeks.	Sept. 8, 1908	Dec. 18	Dec. 28 '08	April 2, '09	Apr. 12'09	June 25

Holidays:—

Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Friday following, February 22, and April 19.

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1909-1910.

	FALL TERM.		WINTER TERM.		SPRING TERM.	
	Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.
Lower Grades, 36 weeks,	Sept. 13, 1909	Dec. 17,'09	Jan. 3,'10	Mar.25'10	Apr.11,'10	June 17
Grades 7, 8, 9, 38 weeks,	Sept. 7, 1909	Dec. 17,'09	Jan. 3,'10	Apr. 1,'10	Apr.11,'10	June 17
High School, 40 weeks,	Sept. 7, 1909	Dec. 24,'09	Jan. 3,'10	Apr. 1,'10	Apr.11,'10	June 24

Holidays:—

Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Friday following, February 22, April 19, and May 30.

STATISTICAL TABLE, SEPTEMBER, 1907, TO JUNE, 1908.

ITEMS.	KINDERGARTEN.	GRADE I.	GRADE II.	GRADE III.	GRADE IV.	GRADE V.	GRADE VI.	GRADE VII.	GRADE VIII.	GRADE IX.	HIGH SCHOOL.	SOUTH HOPEDALE.	SUMMARY.
Total enrolment,	22	59	36	33	32	36	40	34	27	24	49	29	421
Average membership,	20.17	53.53	35.70	29.32	30.90	34.18	37.80	31.09	25.51	23.40	46.60	29.87	398.07
Average daily attendance,	17.42	49.45	34.20	28.45	29.70	32.23	35.86	28.97	23.10	22.04	43.30	27.58	372.30
Per cent. of attendance,	86.30	92.38	95.60	97.03	96	94.20	94.86	93.30	90.53	94.05	92.90	92	93.52
Total days of absence,	415	716.5	273	154	238.5	340	334.5	387	431.5	217	509	394.5	4410.5
Cases of tardiness,	20	31	18	10	75	36	11	4	42	84	574	91	996
Cases of dismissal,	2	2	4	5	43	31	22	21	82	33	66	106	417
Cases of truancy,	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	7
Cases of corporal punishment,	0	0	0	0	1	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	11
Visits by superintendent,	13	14	23	29	20	28	30	18	23	15	14	18	245
Visits by school physician,	0	2	3	0	0	1	2	6	1	0	0	0	15
Visits by others,	95	41	64	55	31	27	27	13	18	12	25	65	473
Number under 5 yrs. of age,	19	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22
Number between 5 and 15,	3	56	36	33	32	36	40	31	26	18	10	29	350
Number over 15,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	6	39	0	49
Number between 7 and 14,	0	9	36	33	32	36	40	27	15	8	14	21	267

	Boys.	Girls.	Totals.
Number of children in town between 5 and 15	189	166	355
Number of children in town between 7 and 14	145	134	279
Population of town May 1, 1908			1925
Per cent. of children between 5 and 15 to total population			18.4

ROLL OF HONOR.

Hopedale Public Schools, 1907-8.

EIGHTEEN TERMS.

High School—Harriet E. Durgin.

FIFTEEN TERMS.

Grade V—Vincent Fagan.

FOURTEEN TERMS.

Grade IX—Raymond Sadler.

TWELVE TERMS.

Grade IV—Freeman Shepherd.
Grade III—Beatrice Fagan.

NINE TERMS.

Grade II—George Fagan.

SIX TERMS.

Grade IV—George Nichols.
Grade III—Clyde Saunders.

FIVE TERMS.

Grade VI—Ada Kearsley.
Grade II—Anna Fagan.

FOUR TERMS.

Grade VI—Maggie Bottomly, Mabel Tempest, Harold Day, Andrew Martin.
Grade V—George Shepherd.
Grade III—Earl Spaulding.
Grade II—Bessie Gaffney.

THREE TERMS.

High School—Ada Munyon, Grace Tillotson.

Grade VIII—Elbert Marso.

Grade VI—Harding Hamant.

Grade IV—Bertha E. Tillotson, Albert H. Andrews, Stanley N. McCaslin.

Grade III—Mabel Prince.

Kindergarten—Raymond Monahan.

FALL AND WINTER TERMS.

High School—Gertrude Williams.

Grade VI—Jennie Flooks.

Grade IV—Clinton Tracey.

Grade I—Vera Martin.

FALL AND SPRING TERMS.

Grade VIII—Walter Pickard.

Grade VII—Albert Bottomly, John Kearsley, Marie Gaskill, Marion Fisher.

Grade VI—Mary Finlay, Mortimer Dennett.

Grade V—Spencer Buzzell, Mary Monahan.

Grade IV—Annie Bagnoli, Alma Roberts, Lena Deiana, Clifton Tracey.

Grade III—Helen Monahan, Frank Taylor.

Grade II—Mildred Gaskill, Harold Gilmore.

Kindergarten—Francis Martin, Frank E. Mellen, John Shepherd, Alson P. Taylor.

WINTER AND SPRING TERMS.

High School—Laura Hamilton.

Grade VIII—Carrie M. Durgin, Marion Tarbox.

Grade VII—Winburn Dennett, Frank O'Neil.

Grade VI—Raymond Piper.

Grade V—Maisie Moore.

Grade IV—Kenneth M. Lincoln.

Grade III—Henry Osgood, James Doherty, Russell Chandler, Helen Gaskill.

Grade II—Judson Goodnow, Cecelia Martin.

Grade I—William Osborne, Charles Hattersley.

FALL TERM.

High School—Arthur Durgin, Gordon Andrew, Richard Damon, Harold Jordan.

Grade IX—Mildred Rockwood.

Grade VIII—Harry W. Searles.

Grade VII—William Hagar, Edith Smith.

Grade VI—Jean Butterworth, Gladys Galloway, May Noyes, Walter Miller.

Grade V—Harold Gaskill, Gertrude Spaulding, Viva Coxon.

Grade IV—Helen Burke, Alice Gaffney, Harold Durgin.

Grade III—Mildred Goodnow, Charles Nichols.

Grade I—Fred Fitzgerald, Mary Ball, Mildred Salmond.

Kindergarten—Nettie M. Hall.

WINTER TERM.

High School—Silas Williams, George Chandler.

Grade VI—Margaret Dillon, Donald McCaslin, William Northrop, Samuel Piper, Harold Spaulding.

Grade V—Marshall Newell.

Grade I—Joseph Flooks, Ruby Freethy, Muriel Tucker.

SPRING TERM.

High School—Clifton Albee.

Grade IX—Annie Newman, Gilbert Arnold.

Grade VII—Kenneth Burnham, Thurston Carlson, John Hartman, Samuel Olivant, Walter Tillotson, Ruth Leonard, Rachel Nelson.

Grade VI—Lillian Fletcher.

Grade V—Henry Presho, Nellie Knight, Raymond Fletcher, Gwendolyn Beal, Gertrude Johnson.

Grade IV—Bernice E. Davis, Winogene E. Phipps, Donald Goodnow, Arthur D. Sweet, Manford S. Sweet.

Grade III—Isabelle Simpson, Louis Bracci, Archie Pickard, Harold Presho, Marshall Day, Raymond Whitney.

Grade II—Edward Bateson, Willie Burke, Newman Lane, Raymond Rockwood, Howard Simmons, Madeline Farrington, Lois Metcalf, Ethel Metcalf, Frances Osgood, Edith Salmond.

Grade I—Mary Burke, Annie Gleason, Violet Gowdie, Mildred Gilmore, Fred Bagnoli, Robert Girvin, William Gleason, Ernest Miller.

South Hopedale—Emanda H. Albee, Doris Chilson, Hilda Chilson, Isabelle Johnson, Hester Nelson, Leslie Albee, George Nelson, George Hartman.

GRADUATION EXERCISES,

CLASS OF 1908.

HOPEDALE HIGH SCHOOL,

Wednesday Evening, June 17, 1908.

CHANT—The Lord's Prayer.

SCHOOL.

SONGS—(*a*) God of Our Fathers.....*Custance*
(*b*) Vocal Gavotte..... *Bohm*

SCHOOL.

ADDRESS—The Lessons of Graduation.
MR. JOSEPH G. EDGERLY.
Superintendent of Schools, Fitchburg, Massachusetts.

SONGS—(*a*) Up and Away..... *Geibel*
(*b*) Water Lilies..... *Linders*

SCHOOL.

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS.
SONG—Columbia, Beloved.....Donizetti

GRADUATES.

Latin Course.

GERTRUDE MARGARET ROCKWELL.

English Course.

CLAYTON WOOD GASKILL,
LEWIS WARREN GASKILL,
IRENE HASTINGS KELLOGG,
EDNA LYNDE MARTIN,
ADIN FREEMAN MESSINGER,
PEARL LOUISE WHITNEY,
SILAS WILLIAMS.

Class Colors—Dartmouth Green and White

Class Flower—White Rose.

Class Motto:—"Beyond the Heights."

Twenty-third Annual Report

——OF THE——

Bancroft Memorial Library,

Hopedale, Massachusetts,

——FOR THE——

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,

1908.

TRUSTEES.

EDWARD L. OSGOOD,	Term expires 1909
FRANK H. FRENCH,	" " 1910
ANNA M. BANCROFT,	" " 1911

LIBRARIAN AND SECRETARY FOR THE TRUSTEES.
HARRIET B. SORNBORGER.

ASSISTANTS.
LUCY E. DAY, FLORA MESSINGER,
EMMA L. DAVIS.

JANITOR.
F. A. SPAULDING.

The trustees wish to impress upon the inhabitants of the town that a public library is the proper place in which to deposit any manuscript or printed matter of any kind, whether book, pamphlet, report, notice, poster, handbill or newspaper, that contains any direct or indirect reference to Hopedale. If each citizen will bear this in mind and do his share in the matter the library will eventually contain a more complete history of our town than can be made in any other way.

The trustees will furthermore welcome any suggestion that will in any way increase the usefulness of the library.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES.

The trustees of the Bancroft Memorial Library respectfully submit the twenty-third annual report and the ninth from the new building.

The report of the librarian, which follows, gives the financial statements, also the facts which must be of interest to the citizens of the town.

The year 1908 has been a very successful one for our library, as can be judged from the figures and facts given below.

New electric lights are being installed. After some weeks of experimenting and careful consideration, we have decided to make the change, since we are assured an increase of light and a decrease of expense.

A new stack, like the one for recent magazines, has been ordered for the History alcove, as the number of books in that department has increased so the shelves have become crowded and some increase in room was imperative.

Nothing unusual has occurred this year, as has happened in some years, but perhaps the greatest change has been in our work on the government documents. Our report of a year ago told of the start in the work, great progress has been made this year and during 1909 we hope to get the department in a practical, working condition.

The excellent, careful work of the librarian has continued, and has been seconded by the faithful work of her assistants, so the library has been able to minister to the wants of its patrons, to keep up the traditions that have grown up through past years of courtesy and helpfulness along all the lines of its work, and more books have been taken from the library during 1908 than in any previous year.

It has been our habit for more than eight years to put new books upon our shelves every alternate Saturday, and since this plan has been adopted, the librarian has never failed to get the requisite number ready, approved, catalogued and upon the shelves at the appointed time. The trustees wish to call attention to this fact of promptness and faithfulness, appreciated also by the people, and to publicly express thanks for this and the many other carefully executed plans by which our library has won the success it now claims, and all this has been won by the painstaking and capable management of the librarian.

ANNA M. BANCROFT,
FRANK H. FRENCH,
EDWARD L. OSGOOD,

Trustees of the Bancroft Memorial Library.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

The librarian respectfully submits her second annual report:—

Circulation.

The library has been open 307 days for the circulation of books, with an average of 74 books each day. The largest circulation of any one day was 180 books on March 7, the smallest, 21 books, on July 8.

The total circulation this year, 22,551 volumes, is the largest in the history of the library, exceeding last year by 1,125 volumes, and lacking only 901 books of being double the circulation of ten years ago, the last year in the old library rooms at the Town Hall. The juvenile circulation has increased from nearly a fifth of the total circulation last year to more than a fifth this year. The per cent. of fiction drawn is 72, of this 45 per cent. of the adult fiction is from the recently published one week collection. The record of the circulation this year has been kept by classes, and these statistics will be found appended to this report.

Reading Room.

The reading room has been open 307 week days with 9,201 visitors, an average of 29 each day. There have been 179 readers during the 22 Sunday afternoons, an average of 8 persons each Sunday. The use of the reading room on both week days and Sunday is less than last year. Comparing the figures for the reading room use this year with ten years ago, our last year in the old quarters, we find the old rooms were used by 630 more readers. I believe this to be in a large measure due to the number who now read in the stacks and of whom no record is kept, whereas in the old library one must read in the reading room if he used the library at all for reading.

To answer the question, how largely is your reading room

used by men, an account has been kept during the year. Only wage earners, or those having plainly reached man's estate, were counted. This was quite possible in a town of our size where the desk attendant is acquainted with all the users. The record shows that 2,935 readers, or nearly one-third of all the users were men.

The list of magazines kept on file is given elsewhere in detail.

Books.

According to the accession book the library contained on Dec. 31, 1908, 12,251 volumes. This means no more than that so many volumes have been added to the library, many books from that number had been discarded long before moving into the new building. For the past nine years a count of the books in each class has been made at stock taking time—each year this has been compared with the year's additions and the count of the previous year. This year we feel perfectly justified in establishing the number of books in each class, this we have given in an appended table. The total of all the classes shows the library to contain 9,578 volumes. In future the counting will be omitted, and from the figures established this year a record of books added and withdrawn will be kept. The appended table gives not only the size, but the growth and use of the library during the year. The titles of books bought with the Gen. Draper money and the Bancroft Fund are also appended.

Government Documents.

After returning to the Superintendent of Documents at Washington the 1,059 volumes for which we had no practical use, missing volumes of the sets retained were promptly furnished through the kindness of our Representative, Hon. J. W. Weeks. The library now has the following sets complete as stated:

Smithsonian Institution—Annual report of the Board of Regents, 1863-1906. 47 v.

U. S. Bureau of Education—Report of Commissioner of Education, 1870-1906. 52 v.

U. S. Bureau of Labor—Annual report of the Commissioner of Labor, 1886-1906. 27 v.

Labor Laws of the U. S. (Second special report of the Commissioner of Labor), 1896. 1 v.

U. S. Department of Agriculture—Reports and Year Books, 1862, 1868, 1870, 1875-1898; 1900-1906. 33 v.

U. S. National Museum—Annual report of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution; report of the U. S. National Museum, 1890-1904. 17 v.

U. S. Patent Office—Patent office reports and the Official Gazette, 1790-1864; 1886-1908. 135 v.

U. S. War Department—Official records of the Union and Confederate Navies in the War of the Rebellion, Series I. 21 v.

It is the plan that these sets be kept up to date as issued by the government. A set of A. L. A. cards, some 800 in number, analyzing the articles in the Smithsonian reports, have been purchased, though they are not as yet filed in the catalogue. It seems wise to buy Library of Congress cards for the remaining government documents noted, so that all the government books placed in the basement stack-room will be represented in the card catalogue by printed cards. There are from fifty to a hundred odd volumes not given in the list of sets, which have yet to be classified and catalogued. These government publications are much less generally seen and known, because of the necessity of shelving in the basement; but they should not for this reason be neglected, for they contain a wealth of information along special lines, not otherwise available.

Printed Catalogues.

While all the recent additions are regularly printed in the Milford Journal, yet there has always been a call for printed lists, preferably with annotations, that can be used at home, by those who more often send than come to the library. To meet this demand in the class of books most circulated, we purchased in November copies of the H. W. Wilson catalogue of selected fiction. We have more fiction than is there listed, and some is given which we do not own, yet so great is the proportion that our library

contains that this catalogue sold at 10 cents a copy is proving a financially possible solution of the problem. A bound copy has been placed above the card catalogue case, in which the titles that may be found in the library are marked in red ink.

Work with Schools.

Sixty-eight books have been sent to the South Hopedale school, for use there. Through January, February and March the bulletin board in Grade VI was continued, the class learning, individually and in groups, to use certain indexes, encyclopaedias, and the juvenile card catalogue. The Freshman class at the High school came once to the library for a lesson on history reference books and their use.

Local History.

The only addition to this collection, during the year, has been in the form of photographs for the loose-leaf album. Of these thirty-five prints, nearly all are of older Hopedale, as it no longer exists. Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Ball gave ten prints, Mr. J. S. Henry three and Miss H. B. Sornborger two. The rest were secured by purchase.

Exhibits.

The Library Art Club has sent us fifteen exhibits as follows: Sargent paintings; Rouen; English photogravures; Boydell's Shakespeare; Pompeii; Yellowstone, No. 1; Salisbury; Italian art; Japan, No. 1; Boston and Maine Railroad; Pagan Rome, No. 1; Pagan Rome, No. 2; Japan, No. 2; Wells Cathedral; Mexico.

The fifth annual exhibit of amateur photography was held from December seventh, through the twentieth. There were 125 pictures and three exhibiters, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Ball, Mr. Ernest Bragg and Mr. J. S. Henry. Though the numbers of exhibiters was less than usual, the pictures as hung by Miss Varney made a most attractive and interesting display, which was visited during the two weeks by 571 people.

Harriet B. Sornborger,
Librarian.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1908.

Receipts:—

Appropriation	$2800 00	
Proceeds dog tax	184 23	
Fines, etc	77 39	
Books sold	53 43	
Interest on Bancroft fund	40 00	
Gen. Draper money	24 24	
		$3,179 29

Expenditures:—

Books:—			
Appropriation	$474 24		
Interest Bancroft Fund	40 00		
Gen. Draper money	24 24		
		$ 538 51	
Periodicals		141 80	
Binding		109 45	
Salaries		1,419 31	
Lighting		272 16	
Heating		256 50	
Supplies		34 28	
Prining		7 25	
Express		27 29	
Water		53 34	
Labor		8 50	
Library Art Club		6 00	
Stack (new)		50 00	
Granolithic walk (new)		50 00	
Change in lighting		116 50	
Travelling expenses		2 00	
Repairs, building		68 40	
Repairs, fountain		18 00	
			$3,179 29

LIBRARY STATISTICS.

	Books Taken Out.		Visitors to the Reading Room.	
	1907	1908	1907	1908
January,	1,888	2,095	803	938
February,	1,818	1,998	722	796
March,	2,051	2,126	801	864
April,	1,634	1,963	797	767
May,	1,699	1,699	730	672
June,	1,546	1,532	606	624
July,	1,657	1,480	560	639
August,	1,627	1,501	669	675
September,	1,726	1,845	687	710
October,	2,018	2,091	933	743
November,	1,979	2,184	844	723
December,	1,783	2,037	1,232	1,050
	21,426	22,551	9,384	9,201

Sunday visitors to reading room	179
Total number of visitors to reading room	9,380
Card-holders	1,148
Card-holders registered in 1908	162
Cards withdrawn, 1908	132
Volumes in library, accession book	12,251
Volumes in library, by count at stock taking	9,578
Volumes withdrawn	14
Volumes bound	222
Added during year:—	
By purchase, new	300
By purchase, to replace worn copies	52
By binding	34
By gift	65
By gift, U. S. Government	84
By gift, Massachusetts state government	5
	540

Per cent. of fiction circulated, 72.

Fines, $76.03.

GROWTH, SIZE, AND USE OF LIBRARY, 1908.

	Volumes Added During Year.	Total Volumes in Circulating Department at End of Year.	Volumes Circulated During Year.
Fiction,	147	3,080	16,516
Juvenile fiction,	21	702	†3,358
Juvenile classed,	11	365	†1,102
Bibliography,	3	17	0
Periodicals,	30	1,096	2,547
Philosophy,	9	112	85
Religion,	9	221	104
Sociology,	56	359	165
Philolgy,	0	11	8
Natural Science,	33	340	288
Useful Arts,	36	413	450
Fine Arts,	32	232	377
Literature,	34	869	626
Travel,	16	547	538
Biography,	18	17	323
History,	33	684	524
	488	9,065	22,551
Reference	*9	432	
Curiosities,	*3	81	
		9,578	Total volumes in library.

* Included in classed additions above.

† Included in general circulation.

GIFTS.

	Vol.	Pam.	Per.
Amherst Agricultural Experiment Station.			
Association for International Conciliation.	1	3	
Ball, Mr. W. G.	3		
Bancroft, Miss A. M.			1 yr.

	Vol.	Pam.	Per.
Boston Museum of Fine Arts	1		1 yr.
Chelsea Soldiers' Home		1	
Indian Rights Association		1	
Lake Mohonk Conference		1	
Libraries:—			
Andover Public Library		1	
Boston Public Library		1	
Brockton Public Library		1	1 yr.
Brookline Public Library		2	1 yr.
Dallas Public Library		1	
Everett, Parlin Memorial Library		1	
Grand Rapids Public Library		1	
Greenfield Public Library		1	
Holliston Public Library		1	
Hudson Public Library		1	
Lancaster Town Library		1	
Lawrence Public Library		1	
Leominster Public Library		1	
Lynn Public Library		1	
Massachusetts State Library (Boston)		1	
Natick, Morse Institute Library		1	
New Bedford Public Library		2	1 yr.
New York Public Library		1	
Newton Free Library		1	
Northbridge Public Library		1	
Peabody Institute Library		1	1 yr.
Providence Public Library		1	
Salem Public Library		1	
Southbridge Public Library		1	
Taunton Public Library		1	
Topsfield Public Library		1	
Uxbridge Public Library		1	
Wakefield Public Library		1	
Worcester Public Library		2	
Massachusetts, State of	21	6	

	Vol.	Pam.	Per.
Milford Daily Journal			1 yr.
Milford Daily News			1 yr.
Milford Gazette			1 yr.
Osgood, Misses Fanny and Hannah	10		
Our Dumb Animals			1 yr.
Shute, J. W.	1		
U. S. Government	63	78	
Welt, Mr. H. L.	2		

LIST OF PERIODICALS REGULARLY RECEIVED.

(Those marked * are given.)

Weeklies.

American Machinist.
Automobile and Motor Review.
Christian Register.*
Electrical World and Engineer.
Frank Leslie's Illustrated.
Harper's Weekly.
Illustrated London News.
Life.
Literary Digest.
Milford Gazette.*
Official Gazette.
Outlook.
Scientific American.
Scientific American Supplement.
Woman's Journal.*
Youth's Companion.

Monthlies.

American Advocate of Peace.*
American Homes and Gardens.
American Illustrated Magazine.
American Industries.*
Arena.
Atlantic.
Bookman.
Century.
Cosmopolitan.
Cumulative Index to Periodicals.
Delineator.
Educational Review.
Engineering Magazine.
Etude.
Garden Magazine.
Good Housekeeping.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Bazar.
International Studio.
Ladies' Home Journal.
Library Journal.
Lippincott's.
McClure's.

Monthlies—[Continued.]

Machinery.
Manifesto.*
Masters in Art.
Munsey.
Musician.
New England.
Nineteenth Century.
North American Review.
Our Dumb Animals.
Outing.
Photo-Era.
Popular Science Monthly.
Protectionist.*
Putnam's Monthly.
Review of Reviews.
St. Nicholas.
Scrap Book.
Scribner's.
Suburban Life.
Success.
Woman's Home Companion.
World's Work..

Semi-Monthly.

Dial.

Quarterlies.

Forum.
Technology Review.*

Dailies.

Boston Herald.
Boston Evening Transcript.
New York Sun.
Milford Daily Journal.*
Milford Daily News.*

Books Bought with Gen. Draper Money.

Breed, C. B. & Hosmer, G. L. Principles and practice of surveying.
Cravath, J. R. & Lansingh, V. R. Practical illumination.
Duncan, R. K. Chemistry of commerce.
Herrick, R. F. Denatured or industrial alcohol.
Raymond, H. M., ed. Cyclopaedia of modern shop practice. 4 v.
Stansfield, Alfred. Electric furnace.
Williams, Archibald. How it works.

Books Bought with the Bancroft Fund.

Stevenson, R. L. Completing set begun last year. 10 v.
Eliot, George. From a complete set of 21 volumes, 9 v.
New International year book.

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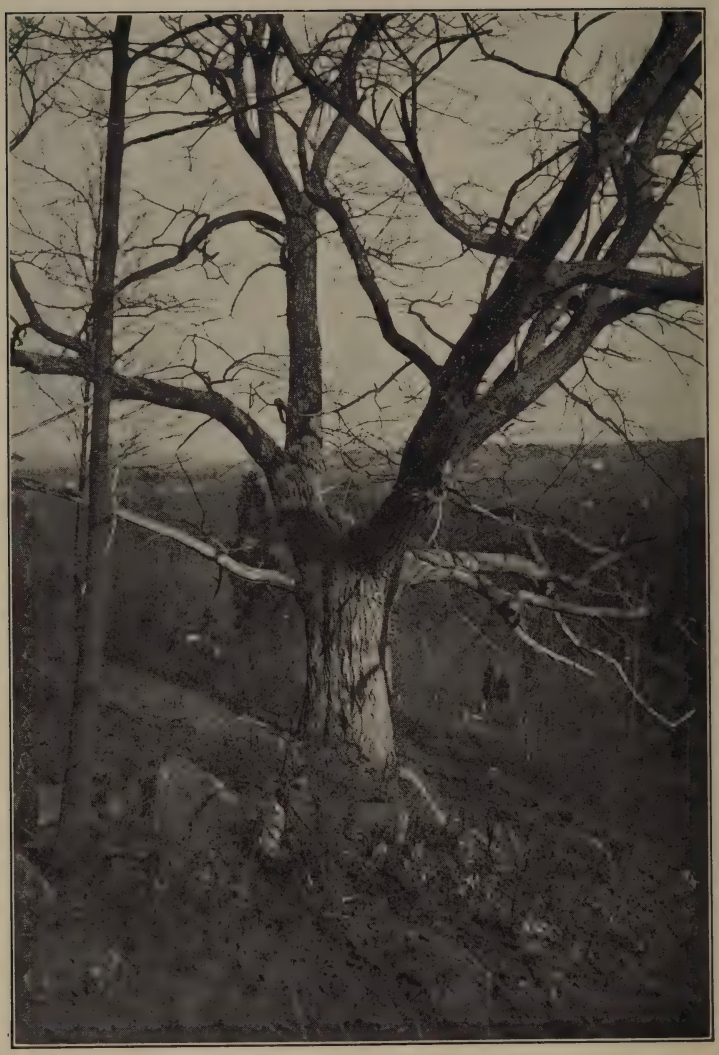

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